The candidate who was to have been the third in the initiation party was Captain Schweickert, conductor on the Chesapeake and Ohio Road. In the accident near White Sulphur Springs both of his legs were broken, and he is now laid up. Schweickert, Johnson and Marshall started in Masonry together, and had taken all the degrees together up to the sixth. But for the railroad accident Schweickert would have been present when Johnson received his fatal injury.

MASONIC RITES.

Convocation of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter at Egyptian Hall.

The regular convocation of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter took place in Egyptian Hall, Masonic Temple, yesterday, opening at 2 o'clock. This convocation ending Most Eminent Companion Edgar O. Dewey's service as high priest, a large number of prominent Masons from all parts of the State were present, thus expressing their appreciation of his work in capitular Masonry. Ex-Companion Dewey conferred the degrees of Mark and past master upon 12 candidates, among them being Brothers George W. Wilson of the Boston Museum, and Sol B. Newton, quartermaster of the Massachusetts rifle team.

At 5 o'clock nearly 200 companions sat down to dinner, and at 6.30 the work was resumed, and the Royal Arch degree was conferred upon 18 candidates.

At 11 o'clock the companions again assembled in the banquet hall and partook of another repast.

Among the many prominent companions present were the following: Albert L. Richardson, Benjamin W. Rowell, William J. Stevens, William Parkman, Leonard M. Averill, George S. Carpenter, William B. Laurence, Henry C. Willson, Charles H. Porter, Horace W. Stickney, Caleb Saunders, Thomas Kellough, R. A. Stranahan, Thomas D. Gard, Henry E. Hosley, E. Frank Page, Joseph R. Grose, Francis C. Hersey, Byron F. Horne, C. R. Horne, S. C. Stanley, Henry M. Kopf, Luke R. Landy, James M. Robbins, B. P. Luce, Forest E. Barker, Henry A. Kidder, Joseph D. Thomas, Lafayette G. Blair, J. Gilman Waite, William Penn, Mark Simons.

Ex-Companion Dewey was the recipient of many congratulations on his success as presiding officer, as well as his fine rendering of the ritual. During his term of service the membership has increased about 120.

CAPITULAR MASONRY.

St. Paul's Royal Arch chapter held its 71st annual convocation in Egyptian Hall, Masonic Temple, last evening. The report of the auditors was a very satisfactory one to all the members. During the administration of the retiring high priest, Ex. Comp. Edgar O. Dewey, the membership has increased 125, making the present number 627, and the increase in the permanent fund has been several thousand dollars. The chapter accepted the report of the nominating committee and proceeded to an election of officers for the year ensuing, the result being the unanimous election of the following companions: M. E. H. P., William P. Brechin, M. D.; E. K., Samuel F. Hubbard; E. S., Albert A. Browne; C. of H., George E. Savory; P. S., William G. Whitney; R. A. C., John A. Bowker; treasurer, Henry G. Fay; secretary, Theo. H. Emmons, this being his 30th re-election to the office; trustee, Reuben E. Demmon; committee on charity, William White. Ex. Comp. Brechin announced the following appointments: M. of third V., John H. Woodman; M. of second V., Walter U. Lewison; M. of first V., George A. King; S. S., Edwin C. Wheelock; J. S., William R. H. Stark; chaplain, Ex. Comp. Charles J. Milter; organist, William H. Gerrish; tyler, J. Fred Sampson; master of wardrobe, Theodore H. Emmons. Ex. Comp. Dewey then invited Ex. Comp. Lafayette G. Blair to assume the chair and install the officers, which he proceeded to do, assisted by Ex. Comp. John G. Thorogood, acting as grand captain of the host. On the conclusion of the installation ceremonies Ex. Comp. Brechin thanked the installing officer for the beautiful and impressive manner in which he had performed the duties of the evening, and asked if there was any further business to come before the body before proceeding to close. Comp. Henry G. Fay then stated that a pleasant duty devolved upon him, it being that of presenting, in the name of the chapter, a past high priest's jewel to Ex. Comp. Dewey, and in eloquent language complimented Ex. Comp. Dewey upon his success, and stated that he had fully sustained his reputation as an earnest worker in the fraternity. Ex. Comp. Dewey responded in a feeling manner, and thanked the companion for the gift as well as for the hearty support they had given him during his two years' administration. The companions then repaired to the banquet hall, where a social hour was spent.

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THE DOUBLE TRIANGLE.

Constitution of Orient Council, Royal and Select Masters, by the Grand Council—Installation of Officers—Interesting Exercises—List of Members of the Fourth Masonic Body in Somerville.

Orient Council of Royal and Select Masters was constituted by the grand council Thursday evening in due and ample form. Nearly all of the petitioners for a charter were present in Endicott Hall when the following grand officers entered the hall: Daniel W. Jones, most illustrious grand master; Seranus Bowen, as deputy grand master; Eugene A. Holton, as grand principal conductor of work; David L. Hodges, as grand treasurer; Alfred F. Chapman, grand recorder; Rev. John W. Dadmun, grand chaplain; George A. Gillette, grand lecturer; Augustus Ridgeway, grand master of ceremonies; James M. Gleason, as grand captain of the guard; Frank A. Bean, grand conductor; William Bickford, as grand steward; John Haigh, past most illustrious grand master.

The organ rendering by Mr. David Cutter and the cornet solos by Mr. A. Eugene Sargent throughout the reception and throughout all the ceremonies were very fine.

The council was formed January 26, 1889, and has been working under dispensation. Seventy-one candidates have been admitted. The financial condition of the council is very prosperous, all expenses being paid out of the funds received for the degrees. Full and complete paraphernalia has been obtained. The council has worked together for the success that has been attained. John S. Hayes, as thrice illustrious master, Isaac G. Curtis, as deputy master, and Aaron Sargent, as recorder, during the period in which the council has been under dispensation, have been very faithful, and much of the success has been due to their efforts. They all declined election when the council should receive its charter, which refusal accounts for the new officers. Mr. Aaron Sargent has been recording officer in every Masonic body in this city, and in Cœur de Lion Commandery, Charlestown, a majority of whose officers are residents of Somerville. The g[illegible] read the names of the following [illegible] charter:—

John S. [illegible]	Silas W. Braley.
Joseph W. [illegible]	Miah G. Kenny.
Isaac G. Curtis.	William T. Hayes.
Isaac B. Kendall.	Henry W. Pitman.
Aaron Sargent.	Irving S. Perry.
Charles W. Sawyer.	George L. Smith.
Galen M. Bowditch.	Charles H. Burroughs.
Charles E. Moore.	Isaac S. Craig.
Robert R. Perry.	Ashbel V. Bartlett.
David Cutter.	Albert H. Lamson.
Daniel C. Stillson.	Charles M. Champlin.
George S. Flanders.	Joseph H. Whiton.
Charles A. Skinner.	John A. Duddy.
William Taylor.	James M. Andrews.
Alexander A. Sanborn.	Clarence H. Willey.
Edward Page.	Allen F. Carpenter.
George E. Hanson.	Robert Laycock.
Horace C. White.	Byron L. French.
John F. Cole.	John E. Marden.
Edward Glines.	Frank W. Mead.
Cromwell G. Rowell.	Albion L. Staples.
James L. Whittaker.	William Merritt.
A. Eugene Sargent.	Charles A. Page.
William H. Cushman.	Herbert Merritt.
Prentiss H. Wellcome.	John Hunnewell.
Charles G. Pope.	Robert Duddy.
Thomas M. Durell.	Robert H. Gibby, Jr.
Charles Pierce.	Joseph W. Linnell.
William L. Barber.	Charles H. Chase.
Harry F. Plaisted.	Elisha G. Woodward.
Charles H. Crane.	Charles A. Cushman.
Lauriston W. Sherman.	Charles W. Tarbell
Charles C. Ellis.	Orrin C. Hubbard.
Charles H. Brown.	James E. Whitaker.
Henry M. Beals.	Joseph Mathison.
Fred C. Fuller.	John J. Thompson.
Charles Clark.	Herbert L. Clark.
Alonzo B. Cushing.	Charles H. Johnson.
Lindsey N. Oliver.	William L. Clark.
Joseph O. Hayden.	Frederick M. Kilmer.
Lewis A. Wallen.	John R. Fairbairn.
Angus Thorgood.	Orison Little.
Edward T. C. Eddy.	George W. Sawin.
Edgar E. Chapman.	Samuel D. Kelley.
Richard B. Harding, Jr.	Benjamin F. Wild.
Adoniram J. Dearborn.	James Kelly.
Charles W. Lyman.	Horace P. Hemenway.
	John L. Ambrose.

The council duly constituted, then came the installation of the following officers: Joseph W. Hill, T. I. M.; Galen M. Bowditch, deputy master; William H. Cushman, principal conductor of the work; Isaac B. Kendall, treasurer; A. Eugene Sargent, recorder; Rev. Charles A. Skinner, chaplain; Clarence H. Willey, master of ceremonies; George S. Flanders, captain of the guard; Edward T. C. Eddy, conductor of the council; Charles M. Champlin, steward; John E.

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CAPITULAR MASONRY.

Public Installation and Presentation in St. Matthew's R. A. Chapter.

Monday evening at the regular convocation of St. Matthew's R. A. Chapter, held in Masonic Hall, South Boston, the officers were publicly installed into office in the presence of the members of the chapter, their ladies and other invited guests. Among the invited guests were M. E. Alfred F. Chapman, P. G. G. H. P.; R. E. E. H. Brazier, D. D. G. H. P. of the First District; M. E. Charles J. Miller, P. H. P., and M. E. Edgar O. Dewey, H. P. of St. Paul's Chapter, and M. E. Thomas Kellough, H. P. of St. John's Chapter. The ceremony of installation was conducted by M. E. Charles H. Kimball, assisted by R. E. Jerome Smith as C. of the H., both P. H. P.'s of the chapter.

Following the entrance of the officers M. E. Samual M. Bedlington, the retiring H. P. of the Chapter, welcomed the guests in a few well chosen words, concluding by inviting the installing officer to proceed with that duty, and the following companions were then installed, Comp. and Rev. John J. Lewis making a very impressive prayer when M. E. Comp. Kelly was about to be obligated: As M. E. H. P., Theodore L. Kelly; E. K., Geo. F. W. Richmond; E. S., Albert C. Paige; Treasurer, Horace Smith; Secretary, Wm. Penn; Chaplain, Wm. Chrimes; C. of H., Wm. H. Puffer; P. S., Emerson H. Nye; R. A. C., John A. Abraham; M. of the V's, Will A. Woodward, James A. Cook and John M. E. Morrill; S. S., Edward J. Olsen; J. S., Isaac A. Fisher; I. S., John J. Crawford; Organist, Justus P. Weston; Tyler, J. Q. A. Holbrook.

The officers having been installed and the proclamation to that effect made by the C. of the H., M. E. Comp. Kelly addressed M. E. Comp. Samuel M. Bedlington, and, in the name of the chapter, using words not only effective, but impressive, presented him with an elegant P. H. P's jewell and apron, which M. E. Comp. Bedlington accepted in a feeling speech.

Comp. Horace Smith now addressed the audience, and introduced M. E. Wm. H. H. Soule, who, speaking to Comp. N. A. Apollonio, a charter member of St. Matthew's Chapter and its Secretary during the 26 years of its existence, from which position he had just retired, in eloquent terms presented him with an elegant and valuable gold watch and chain from the members of the chapter. Comp. Apollonio, though visibly affected, made an impressive response in acceptance.

The ceremonies of the evening were pleasantly varied at appropriate intervals by the effective renderings of the Mendelssohn Quartette.

The evening's programme was concluded very happily in the enjoyment of a banquet spread by Comp. Tufts and the remarks of M. E. Theodore L. Kelly, M. E. Alfred F. Chapman and others, and the social hour which followed.

From
The "Light"
Worcester.
April 20. 1890.
By Daniel Seagrave,

Worcester Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was organized in June, 1823, and chartered October 21, 1824. Among its charter members were Isaiah Thomas, L. L. D., above mentioned, John Wilson, the postmaster of Worcester for more than thirty years, being the immediate successor of Isaiah Thomas; Rev. Jonathan Going, D. D., the beloved pastor of the First Baptist Church in Worcester from 1815 to 1832; Otis Corbett, a prominent citizen of his day; Ephraim Mower, the centenarian, and Dr. Benjamin Chapin, a prominent physician of his day, and its first high priest, who continued in office for several years till the anti-Masonic persecution began. For some fourteen years or more this body, like others in this section, was in a state of dormancy, during which period the active labors of many were suspended, and some did not again resume their labors. In 1846 this body again took up the work it had so reluctantly laid down, and has continued its labors till the present time. It has a membership of about 250 at the present time. Dr. C. A. Peabody is the present high priest.

Eureka Chapter, its charter members coming largely from Worcester Chapter, was instituted in 1870, and now has a membership of more than 300. Its first high priest was Rev. T. E. St. John, now of Haverhill, Mass. This Chapter has had a continuous prosperity. George Wood is the present high priest.

Hiram Council, R. and S. M., was chartered in Sutton December 13, 1826, and subsequently removed to Worcester in 1858. This Council is the largest of its grade in the world, having now more than 700 members. For the last thirty years it has enjoyed a generous prosperity. F. A. Beane is its present chief officer.

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REACHED THE CENTURY MARK.

Grand Chapter of Masons Holds Quarterly Convention—The Grand Lodge.

The quarterly convention of the Grand Royal Arch chapter of Massachusetts was held last evening in the new Masonic apartments, corner Boylston and Washington streets. There was a fair attendance of officers and members, 46 of the 74 chapters in the state being represented.

The grand officers came in at 7:30, and the proceedings were opened in ample form by Grand High Priest J. Gilman Waite of Medford, after prayer by the grand chaplain.

The principal topic for discussion was the suitable observance of the 100th anniversary of the grand chapter two years hence. It was decided to have an appropriate celebration, and it was voted to constitute the grand high priest and four others to be appointed by him a committee to make the arrangements. This committee will be appointed later.

The grand high priest, in his address, made some practical suggestions, including one that each of the subordinate chapters send a copy of regular notices to the grand high priest.

Upon the question of jurisdiction, the committee asked for further time, which was granted.

Several of the deputies were installed, and other routine business transacted.

An eloquent tribute was paid to the deceased companion, Judge W. S. Shurtleff, past grand king of the grand chapter, by Comp. E. P. Kenrick of Springfield, closing with a beautiful poem written by Judge Shurtleff.

In the afternoon the Order of High Priesthood held its regular meeting, under the direction of President Warren B. Ellis. Twenty-four candidates were initiated.

This afternoon the quarterly communication of the grand lodge, F. A. M., will be held in the new hall, and a large attendance is expected. It is probable that opinions regarding the erection of a new temple may crystallize, though it is not expected that any definite plans will be presented. The directors now have no powers in the matter, except the privilege of selling the present building, granted at the December communication. It is understood that sketch plans have been prepared for a new building on the site of the old temple, but it is doubtful if these plans will be in condition to be submitted to the grand lodge.

R. A. MASONRY GAINS IN STATE

Baalis Sanford Reelected to Chair in Grand Chapter.

FOUR CHIEF OFFICERS OF GRAND R. A. CHAPTER.

Edwin S. Crandon the Deputy---All Elections Unanimous.

A net gain of 731 was made in the 74 Royal Arch chapters throughout the grand jurisdiction of Massachusetts the past 12 months, the total enrollment being now 20,818. This gratifying report was welcomed in the heartiest manner at the 110th annual convocation of the grand chapter, held last evening in the Masonic temple. Another feature that was cause for congratulation was that all of the elective officers received every vote cast.

There was an attendance of nearly 250 in the morning and afternoon, which were devoted solely to exemplifications under the direction of Grand Lecturers Green and Delano.

Baalis Sanford, most excellent grand high priest, presided over the deliberations which opened at 7 p m. Other grand officers in addition to deputies present were Charles D. Burrage, REDGHP; Arthur W. Bickford, REGK; Henry P. Brown, REGS; Eugene A. Holton, REGT; J. Gilman Waite, MEGS; W. F. Medding, GC of H; L. G Green and Charles W. Delano, GL; R. Perry Bush, DDGC.

The past grand high priests present were Arthur G. Pollard (past grand high priest of the general grand chapter of the United States), Frederick T. Comee, Warren B. Ellis, Samuel F. Hubbard, J. Albert Blake, Albert C. Smith, J. Gilman Waite and Harry Hunt.

Membership of 20,818.

From the report of the committee on returns, read by J. William Blaisdell, the losses were 581 during the year in the 74 chapters, which, deducted from a list of 21,299, leaves a membership of 20,818, and the gain 731. A tribute was paid by the committee to the various grand secretaries.

Albert L. Richardson for the audit committee announced an increase in the treasury and the funds ample. He alluded to the ready responses made in helping the chapter of the Shekinah which suffered by fire, the contributions of sister chapters being designated.

A memorial to John C. Towle, who died in Westfield and had been grand king in the grand chapter, was read, after which the organist played "One Vacant Chair." When a like tribute was paid to Rt Ill George Wilby, who passed away in Northampton, the selection on the organ was Pleyel's hymn.

Grand High Priest's Address.

In presenting his review of the past year Grand High Priest Sanford congratulated the grand chapter upon the highly satisfactory state of capitular Masonry in the state. Every chapter save one had gained. The future never looked better. He desired to acknowledge the blessings that had been showered on the order. Death, however, had summoned many notable men to the great divide, and the losses to the subordinate chapters had been 322. He complimented the deputies for their assiduity and thanked them for their valuable assistance. He congratulated the chapters on their healthy condition and declared that capitulary Masonry in this state was lifted to a more lofty pinnacle than ever before. He felt grateful for the hearty support, loyalty, good will and sympathy of the 20,000 members of the order.

Unanimity Prevailed in Elections.

Most Excellent Harry Hunt presided at the election, with Right Excellent C. D Burrage as captain of the host, and they officiated at the installation. The elective officers are: Most Excellent Baalis Sanford, Brockton, GHP; Right Excellent Edwin S. Crandon, Cambridge, DGHP; Right Excellent John J. Van Valkenburgh, South Framingham, GK; Right Excellent Walter F. Medding, Medford, GS; Right Excellent Eugene A. Holton, Boston, GT; Most Excellent J. Gilman Waite, Medford, G Sec.

The appointive officers follow: Frank F. Cook, Winthrop, 1st district; Charles C. Dodge, Salem, 2d; Hugh J. Stockford, Hyde Park, 3d; Fred M. Sampson, Worcester, 4th; Frederick H. Scott, Westfield, 5th; Robert W. Browning, Concord Junction, 6th; Alfred H. Nash, Abington, 7th; George O. Shelton, Wakefield, 8th; Albert H. Marden, Franklin, 9th; Walter B. Sanford, Great Barrington, 10th, Dexter L. Crandall, Orange, 11th; William T. Swain, Nantucket, 12th—all district deputy grand high priests.

Rev Dr R. Perry Bush, Chelsea, and Rev Paul Sterling, Melrose, GC; J. William Blaisdell, Newton, GC of H; Lorenzo W. Green, Medford, and Charles W. Delano, Worcester, GL; William Shallenbach, Dorchester, GPJ; Joseph Paul Allston, GRAC; Edwin Reece, Greenfield, GM 3d V; William E. Pearce, Beachmont, GM 2d V; Charles F. Johnson, Littleton, GM 1st V; Arthur H. Paul, Waltham, and Benjamin Blye, Stoughton, GS; John T. Kimball, Boston, GT.

Four Executive Officers.

Baalis Sanford, again the head of the grand chapter, is past grand master of the grand lodge, having been installed to that office in 1902 and held the position three years. He became a Free Mason in Paul Revere lodge, Brockton, in 1864 and was its master in 1868-9. He was high priest of Satucket R. A. chapter in 1870, '71 and '72; of Brockton, R. and S., masters, he was T. I. master in 1895 and '96, and of Bay State commandery, K. T., Brockton, eminent commander in 1876, '77 and '78. In grand chapter he was district deputy in 1876, '77 and '78 and grand scribe the latter year. He was grand master of the grand council, R. and S. masters in 1899 and 1900. Before his election as head of grand lodge he was district deputy, then senior grand warden.

The deputy grand high priest, Edwin S. Crandon, hails from Robert Lash lodge, Chelsea, and received his capitular degrees in the R. A. chapter of the Shekinah of the same city. He holds allegiance to St Bernard commandery, K. T., and his mother council of Royal and Select Masters is Napthali. Today he retires as head of the governing body of the cryptic rite in this state—the office of most illustrious grand master—and will be seated "near the throne" in the grand chapter, of which he was deputy district grand high priest of the 1st district prior to the assumption of that office by Rt Ex Jesse E. Ames.

John J. Van Valkenburgh, grand king, is a past master of Middlesex lodge, A. F. and A. M., and a past district deputy of grand lodge; a past high priest of Concord R. A. chapter and late DDG. high priest; is a member of Hiram council, R. and S. M.; is connected with all the Scottish rite bodies, holding the office of senior grand warden in Lafayette lodge of Perfection and is past commander of Natick commandery, K. T.

Walter F. Medding, grand scribe, is a past master of Mt Vernon lodge and has been deputy of the 7th district; has presided over Tabernacle R. A. chapter, also Melrose council, R. and S. M.; is a past commander of Beauseant commandery, K. T., is now grand standard bearer, and is connected with Massachusetts consistory, 32d degree.

Standing Committees.

The committees are:

On jurisprudence, Rt Ex William B. Lawrence of Medford, Most Ex Harry Hunt of Melrose and Rt Ex Charles F. Mason of Watertown; audit, Rt Ex Albert L. Richardson of Boston, Rt Ex Charles Harris of Cambridge and Rt Ex Charles W. Tarbell of Winchester; on charity, Most Ex Smith B. Harrington, Warren B. Ellis and Samuel F. Hubbard, all of Boston; on bylaws, Rt Ex William B. Lawrence of Medford, Ex Jesse E. Ames of Boston and Rt Ex Henry S. Bunton of Hyde Park; on returns, Ex John E. Pierce of Lynn, Ex George E. Baxter of Somerville and Ex Horace H. Chapman of Charlestown; on library, archives and foreign correspondence, Most Ex J. Gilman Waite.

MASONS HOLD LADIES' NIGHT

Norfolk Royal Arch Chapter at Hyde Park Entertains Many Guests From Out of Town.

2/10/1909.

HYDE PARK, Feb 9—Norfolk Royal Arch chapter conducted its annual ladies' night this evening, in the same generous manner that has marked such festal occasions for several years.

Until midnight Waverley hall was occupied by a happy company that numbered more than 175, including not a few from other chapters in the third capitular distrirct, of which Rt Ex Hugh J. Stockford is the DDGHP. The entertainment consisted of a banquet, dramatic offerings and a dance, all of which were a success.

The guests were greeted by a committee comprising William H. Barritt, Arthur T. Byrnes, Frank L. King, Arthur F. Brown and Horace E. Ayres. An hour was occupied in witnessing two plays. Frank Fowle, Bancroft L. Goodwin and Miss Marian Chapin appeared in the comedietta "Dead Reckoning." The farce "Poor Pillicoddy," an old-time Boston museum favorite so often played by William Warren, was enacted by Hugh J. Stockford, Frank Fowle, Miss Chapin, Miss Dorothy Daniels and Mrs Ralph W. Bartlett. Mr Stockford had charge of the staging, and the productions enlisted the admiration of the audience. There were several pleasing numbers by an orchestra.

The order of dances contained 14 numbers and the committee included Henry F. Arnold, Frank H. Tyler, George C. McClellan, Charles B. House and Julian D. Chase.

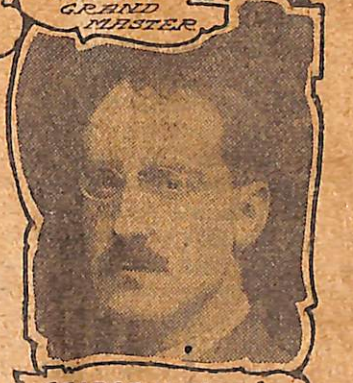
Edward J. Ellis, high priest of the chapter, was at the head of the executive committee and his associates were Frederick C. Cobb and John W. Kennington. The head of the printing committee was Edwin L. Slocum and George E. Leason was chairman of the music committee.

NEW HEAD OF CRYPTIC RITE.

Everett C. Benton Chosen Most Illustrious Grand Master of Grand Council, R. and S. M.

EVERETT C BENTON MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER

WILLIAM H L ODELL DEPUTY GRAND MASTER



GEORGE H MULLEN GRAND PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR of WORK

With the close of the annual assembly of the grand council, Royal and Select Masters, at noon yesterday in the Masonic temple, a new administration entered upon its duties in connection with cryptic Masonry in Massachusetts.

Edwin S. Crandon, who has been most illustrious grand master for three years, during which the rite has enjoyed an era of great prosperity, retired, and is succeeded by Everett C. Benton, while the two next in authority are also changed.

About 125 representatives were present when the deliberations opened at 9:30, the most illustrious grand master presiding, and the following other officers occupying their stations: Edgar W. Evans DGM, G. Sidney Macfarlane GPC of W, William B. Lawrence (PGM) GT, J. Gilman Waite GS, James B. Gardner GL, Joseph C. Miller GC of W, John T. Kimball G tyler.

The former officers included Albert L. Richardson and Forrest E. Barker PGM, W. H. Emerson, Miah G. Kenney and Walter F. Medding PDGM.

In his address, the last he would deliver to the grand council, Most Illustrious Grand Master Crandon stated that the 28 councils in Massachusetts were in the highest degree flourishing. This year the returns are for only 10 months, as the year terminated Aug 31, instead of Oct 31 as heretofore. The membership is now 7537, a net gain of 248. The deaths in that time were 90, while for the 12 months last year they were 140.

Only four permanent members of the grand council had passed away, and of these only one was a past elected officer, George Wilby of Greenfield, past PCCW, was among the number. There were three others on the distinguished roll—Arthur Way of Salem, Walter P. Sutcliffe of Palmer and Charles E. Draper of Roxbury. In giving up his office the grand master extended his hearty thanks to the grand council for the many courtesies he had received at its hands. It was the same, too, when he visited subordinate councils, and from the enthusiasm manifested it was not to be wondered at that the cryptic rite was in such a successful condition when it had such energy in the ranks.

The routine reports were read and then came the election. The following are the elective and appointive officers: Everett C. Benton, Belmont, most illustrious grand master; William H. L. Odell, Dorchester, deputy grand master; George H. Mullen, Worcester, grand PC of W; William B. Lawrence, Medford, (PMIGM) grand treas; J. Gilman Waite, Medford, grand sec; Rev Dr R. Perry Bush, Chelsea, and Rev Dr Frederick W. Hamilton, Medford, grand chaplains; Fred L. Moses, Somerville, grand lec; Herbert W. Dodge, Roxbury, grand M of C; Thomas Bevington, Lawrence, grand C of G; Frank D. Fuller, Springfield, grand con; William Pierce, Abington, grand steward; John T. Kimball, Dorchester, grand sentinel.

The committees are: On finance, Henry S. Eunton (PDGM) of Hyde Park, Eugene A. Holton (PDGM) of Boston and Albert F. Newhouse of Reading; on bylaws, Charles Harris (PDGM) of Cambridge, Walter F. Medding (PDGM) of Malden and Charles M. Pear of Cambridge; on foreign correspondence, J. Gilman Waite.

The installation ceremony was conducted by Grand Master Crandon, assisted by Austin W. Heath as grand master of ceremonies, and the new incumbent of the chair was heartily congratulated and wished all the joy possible. Grand Master Benton, Deputy Odell and Grand Principal Conductor of Work Mullen spoke briefly and assured the council of their desire to use their utmost energies to keep the cryptic rite on the high plane it had always occupied.

Most Illustrious Everett Chamberlin Benton, the new grand master of the grand council and the present head of Massachusetts consistory, A. A. S. R., N. M. J., became a master Mason in Simon W. Robinson lodge at Lexington in 1895, Waltham Royal Arch chapter in 1896, Boston council, R. and S. M., in 1901, and St Bernard commandery, K. T., in 1902. He received the degrees of A. A. S. R. in 1905 and the 33d degree in 1902. He was first worshipful master, then DD grand master of the 14th Vermont Masonic district, and in 1905 was elected grand junior warden of the grand lodge of Vermont. He presided over Boston council, R. and S. M., from October, 1904, to October, 1905; was eminent commander of St Bernard commandery, K. T., in 1906, and deputy grand master of the grand lodge of Massachusetts, 1906. He was elected commander-in-chief of Massachusetts consistory in December, 1906, for a term of three years.

William H. L. Odell, deputy grand master, will retire from a similar office in the grand lodge at the close of his present term, having been named to that position a year ago. He was enrolled in Robert Lash lodge, Chelsea, in 1890, and was its master 1899-1900. Under the dual membership law he became affiliated with Rabboni lodge, Dorchester, in 1906. Of Napthali council, R. and S. M., he was the thrice illustrious master in 1900-01. He is on the roll of the Royal Arch chapter of the Shekinah, Chelsea; St Bernard commandery, K. T., Boston; Sutton lodge of Perfection, Salem, and Aleppo Temple, A. A. O. Mystic Shrine. Prior to assuming the office of deputy grand master in the grand lodge he was district deputy of the third Masonic district.

These bodies hold the allegiance of George H. Mullen, grand principal conductor of the work; Montacute lodge, A. F. and A. M., Eureka Royal Arch chapter, Hiram council, R. and S. M., Worcester County commandery, K. T., Worcester lodge of Perfection, Goddard Council, P. of J., Lawrence chapter Rose Croix and Massachusetts Consistory S. P. R. S. 32d deg. He is at present senior warden of his lodge, high priest of his chapter and past thrice illustrious master of Hiram council, Worcester.

Grand Recorder J. Albert Blake and Grand Recorder J. Gilman Waite represent both bodies in the committee.

These two committees have been holding regular meetings, all the arrangements being in harmony with the wishes of the general grand high priest, who has been acting with them. A synopsis of the events of the week, as arranged by the joint committees, is as follows:

Monday, June 18, a special assembly of the grand council of Massachusetts will be held in Corinthian Hall, Masonic Temple, at 9:30 A. M., for the purpose of receiving and welcoming the general grand council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States, which will assemble for its eighth triennial assembly. The session of the general grand council will continue through the day.

In the evening an exemplification of the work of the select master's degree will be given under the auspices of the grand council of Massachusetts, the work being done by the officers of Boston council. This degree is selected for the exemplification, as it is seldom worked in full by the councils in other parts of the country, as it is here. Admission to the exemplification will necessarily be restricted to companions who are members of the grand council and those entitled to seats in the general grand council or the general grand chapter.

Monday evening, while the exemplification is going on in Masonic Temple, the ladies of the party will be given a banquet by the ladies' committee at the Algonquin Club, Commonwealth avenue.

Royal Arch Chapter Opened.

Tuesday, June 19, the grand royal arch chapter of Massachusetts will be opened in special convocation at 9:30 o'clock A. M., in Corinthian Hall, Masonic Temple, for the purpose of receiving and welcoming the representatives of the general grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States. The welcome of the Massachusetts members of the capitular rite will be extended in behalf of the grand chapter by Grand High Priest Harry Hunt of Melrose, and the distinguished Masonic company will also be welcomed by Gov. Guild, who is a Mason of high degree.

A brief reply to the addresses of welcome will be given by General Grand High Priest Arthur G. Pollard of Lowell. As this officer is himself a member of the grand chapter of Massachusetts, it is expected that the principal address in reply will be made by Deputy General Grand High Priest Joseph E. Dyas of Paris, Ill.

Brief addresses are also expected from General Grand King William C. Swain of Milwaukee and General Scribe Nathan Kingsley of Austin, Minn.

The general grand chapter will hold morning and afternoon sessions, with the exception of Wednesday afternoon, until the business of the convocation is concluded.

Tuesday morning, June 19, the ladies accompanying the delegates to the triennials will be given a trolley ride to Lexington and Concord, stopping on the way for a brief visit to Harvard College and its environments.

Tuesday evening the grand chapter will tender a reception in Masonic Temple to the visiting companions and the ladies accompanying them. Permanent members of the grand chapter and the officers and members of subordinate chapters will be admitted by ticket. The programme will include a reception in Corinthian Hall from 8 to 9 o'clock, with a short musical programme on the organ; an entertainment in Ionic Hall from 8:30 to 9:30 o'clock; from 9 to 10 o'clock, orchestral selections in Gothic Hall, to be followed by dancing from 10 to 12 o'clock. Light refreshments will be served in the banquet hall.

Auto Ride and Harbor Sail.

Wednesday, June 20, during the morning session of the general grand chapter, the ladies will be taking an auto ride through the park system, starting from the Hotel Brunswick at 10 A. M., and arriving at Rowe's wharf in season to take the special boat at 1 o'clock for an excursion down the harbor. The members of the general grand chapter and the Massachusetts companions and their ladies will participate. A band will accompany the party, and luncheon will be served aboard the boat.

Wednesday evening a reception will be extended to the visiting companions and their ladies and invited guests at the Hotel Brunswick by General Grand High Priest Pollard and Mrs. Pollard. This will be the most important social event of the week.

The sessions of the general grand chapter will be continued Thursday morning and afternoon. In the morning the ladies will be taken on a tour of inspection of the historic places of "old Boston."

In the evening the most important Masonic event of the convocation will take place, when a banquet will be held in Tremont Temple at 6 o'clock. All seats not required for the guests will be available for officers and permanent members of the grand chapter and companions of the subordinate chapters in the order of their application. The galleries will be open to the ladies and others who desire, on the payment of a nominal fee.

Grand High Priest Harry Hunt will preside, and an address will be given by General Grand High Priest Pollard. The topic of the evening will be "Freemasonry as a World Power," to be developed as follows: The Rev. William H. van Allen, S. T. D., rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston, will speak on "Freemasonry as Related to the Church and to the Home"; Past Grand Master Charles T. Gallagher will speak on "Freemasonry and Citizenship," and the Hon. John L. Bates, ex-Governor of Massachusetts, will speak on "Statesmanship a Bond of Brotherhood, and Brotherhood a Pledge of Harmony Among the Nations."

There will be music by an orchestra during the evening, and appropriate vocal selections will be given with organ accompaniment. This is expected to be one of the most brilliant events in the Masonic history of Boston.

Grand Secretary's History.

An interesting feature of the week will be an address to be delivered by Grand Secretary Sereno N. Nickerson of the grand lodge of Massachusettss, on the Masonic history of the different grand lodges in this country. Bro. Nickerson is recognized as the foremost Masonic authority of the United States and his address will undoubtedly interest the triennnial visitors.

Outside of the Masonic events of the week, the committees in charge of the local arrangements have endeavored to make all possible arrangements for the comfort and convenience of the visitors. Suitable badges have been prepared by the grand chapter and the grand council and will be presented to each delegate and the ladies accompanying them. A special edition of a well-known Boston guide book, containing many pages of Masonic history in addition to the usual matter, has been issued, and a little handbook entitled "Historic Boston" has been prepared by Past Grand High Priest Samuel F. Hubbard, both of which will be presented to the visitors.

A special committee of ladies has been appointed to have charge of all the events in which the ladies are directly interested, as follows: Mrs. Harry Hunt of Melrose, chairman; Mrs. J. Albert Blake of Malden, secretary; Mrs. Arthur G. Pollard of Lowell, Mrs. Warren B. Ellis of Brookline, Mrs. Frederick T. Comee of Woonsocket, R. I., Mrs. J. Gilman Waite of Medford, Mrs. Forrest E. Barker of Worcester, Mrs. Edwin S. Crandon of Cambridge, Mrs. Everett C. Benton of Belmont, Mrs. H. L. Sherman of Lawrence, Mrs. William B. Lawrence of Medford, Mrs. B. W. Clements of Lowell, Mrs. Walter R. Medding of Malden and Mrs. Edward J. Sartelle of Worcester.

CHAPTER 80 YEARS OLD

Masonic Body Holds 1200th Convocation

HISTORICAL NOTES

Concord Royal Arch chapter, held its 1200th convocation in Masonic hall last night and at the same time celebrated the 80th anniversary of its institution.

Fourscore years ago the chapter was organized at Concord, with William Whiting as most excellent high priest. Last night's celebration, while entirely informal, was nevertheless of an interesting nature. It took the form of a chapter gathering, at which there were remarks by past high priests and present officers, all of whom spoke upon some phase of the past history of the chapter, and an elaborate collation was served. Frederick E. Porter, the present most excellent high priest, presided at the exercises.

Concord Royal Arch chapter has had a long and eventful history. Its origin began with a meeting held in the old Middlesex Hotel, Concord, Jan. 28, 1826. Among the prominent men present were William Whiting, John Keyes, Abel Moore, Nathaniel M. Wright and Lemuel Shattuck.

On Feb. 4 of the same year it was agreed to form the chapter. William Whiting, Lemuel Shattuck, John Keyes, Abel Moore, Nathan M. Wright, Simon Hosmer, Benjamin Hall, James Fletcher, Ebenezer Wood, Isaac Hurd, Williard Shepherd, Jonas W. Coburn and John Hosmer, Jr., were present. A petition to the grand Royal Arch chapter of Massachusetts was drawn up, praying for the organization of Concord chapter, William Whiting having been nominated for the first high priest, John Keyes king, and Lemuel Shattuck scribe.

The warrant was granted the petitioners by the grand chapter of Massachusetts and bore the signatures of Paul Dean, grand high priest; Samuel Howe, grand secretary, and Abraham A. Dame, grand treasurer of the grand chapter of Massachusetts.

The officers of the Concord chapter were installed and the chapter duly consecrated Aug. 16, 1826, by the officers of the grand Royal Arch chapter of Massachusetts.

Charter Is Delivered.

At a stated meeting of the Grand Royal Arch chapter held Dec. 12, 1854, a petition was received from William Whiting, James Weir, John Hosmer and Nathan M. Wright, members of the late Concord chapter, together with Charles R. Train, Rev. Paul Dean, Franklin F. Heard, George A. Hoyt, Charles E. Horne, John Hoyt, George Bullard, Samuel Seaward, Charles Rice, James B. Puffer, Jeremiah Butler, Benjamin Wilson, Benjamin I. Leeds, Daniel Parmenter and Jonathan Greenwood, all praying that they be allowed to resume the charter of Concord chapter Royal Arch Masons of Framingham, and locate the same in Framingham. The report was unanimously adopted by the grand chapter.

The charter was delivered to Jonathan Greenwood, one of the foremost promoters for transferring the chapter to Framingham, and on Dec. 26, 1854, it was voted that the charter and all the records, furniture and jewels belonging to Concord chapter be moved to Framingham, to be used by the companions there for their benefit, to be returned to Concord at the end of five years in the event of the Concord brethren desiring it. It was voted at this meeting that the first convocation be held at Framingham, Jan. 3, 1856. From that date to the present Concord chapter has been located in Framingham with steadily increasing membership.

Companion William Whiting, the first high priest of Concord chapter, received his initiatory degrees in Masonry, May 3, 1819. He was junior

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warden in 1821 and rose to master in 1824; was a district deputy in 1826-8 and again in 1833-4. Mr. Whiting was a native of Sterling, where he was born Oct. 20, 1788.

High Priests of Eight Decades.

The second high priest of Concord chapter was Lemuel Shattuck, who was initiated into the Masonic craft Nov. 18, 1824. He was senior deacon in 1824-5, junior warden in 1826 and master of Corinthian lodge in 1827-9. He was district deputy from 1829 until 1832. Mr. Shattuck was born in Ashby, Oct. 15, 1793. He was a member of the Boston common council for 5 years from 1837, when he declined further re-election. He represented Boston in the Legislature for several terms. He was a member of the Massachusetts Historical Society, and the American Anti-quarian Society.

From Mr. Shattuck's time many prominent citizens of Framingham and neighboring towns included in the Concord chapter district, have filled the chair of high priest, among whom were Excellent Companions Jonathan Greenwood, James H. Parker, the Rev. Josiah H. Temple, William H. Chenery, Edgar Potter, Henry Hurst, John R. Deardon, George H. Waterman, Edwin Moulthrop, William C. Wight Luke R. Landy, Walter Adams, Joseph D. Thomas, John Wood, William Nicholson, Frederick M. Esty, George H. Davis, Dr. Lewis M. Palmer, John J. Van Valkenburgh, Alfred E. Martin and Frederick E. Porter ,who is present high priest.

The present officers of the chapter are most excellent high priest, Frederick E. Porter; excellent king, William E. Chenery; excellent scribe, James H. Mace; treasurer, Excellent Companion William Nicholson; secretary, Excellent Companion Luke R. Landy; chaplain, Dr. Lewis M. Palmer; captain of the host, Dr. Charles E. B. Chase; principal sojourner, Sands S. Woodbury; royal arch captain, Charles E. Dearborn; master of the third veil, William Johnson; master of the second veil, George T. Robbins; master of the first veil, Frederick M. Kendall; senior steward, William F. Howland; tyler, Charles J. Mace.

GRAND MASONIC GATHERING HERE

First Meeting of the Kind Held in Boston Since 1850, and Many Will Attend.

LOCAL MEMBERS HAVE ARRANGEMENTS MADE

Sessions Held Next Week, and Social Features Are Not Neglected.

For the first time since 1850 Boston will be honored by being the meeting place of the general grand Masonic bodies of the Cryptic and Capitular rites, which will assemble at the Masonic Temple the week of June 18. The sessions will open on Monday with the assembly of the general grand council of Royal and Select Masters, to be followed by the convocation of the general grand Royal Arch chapter on Tuesday.

The general grand council will complete its work in one day, but the other body is not expected to get through until Friday. The occasion is one of great interest to the Masonic fraternity in the city and state, not only on account of the time that has elapsed since these bodies have met in Boston, but because of the fact that men prominent in the councils of Masonry throughout the United States will be present during the week.

Before 1850 the last previous meetings of these bodies in Boston were held in 1838, and the rarity of their visits is an additional incentive to the companions of the two rites to make this occasion one long to be remembered.

Until 1889 the triennial convocations of the general grand chapter were held in connection with the triennial conclaves of the grand encampment of the Knights Templar, but there had long been a feeling that the social events connected with the meetings of the Knights Templar so overshadowed the other bodies as to injure their usefulness. Therefore, at the triennial at Atlanta in that year, it was voted to meet again in two years at Minneapolis. Succeeding meetings were held at Topeka, Kan., in 1894; Baltimore, 1897; Cincinnati, 1900, and Little Rock, Ark., in 1903.

Was Organized in Boston.

It is fitting that attention should be called at this time to the fact that the general grand chapter was organized in Boston at a meeting held in the Green Dragon Tavern, Oct. 24, 1797. This convention was the beginning of the general grand chaptetr of the United States, though its organization was not completed until January of the following year.

The grand chapter of Massachusetts, one of the parties to the organization, was the first to receive a charter, and takes precedence from March 13, 1798. This also occurred at the Green Dragon Tavern, which was a famous resort of Masons in the earlier days. The grand chapters participating in the organization of the general body were Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York, and from these small beginnings the work has extended to cover every state in the Union.

The full list of officers of the general grand chapter is as follows: General grand high priest, Arthur G. Pollard of Lowell; deputy general grand high priest, Joseph E. Dyas of Paris, Ill.; general grand king, William C. Swain of Milwaukee, Wis.; general grand scribe, Nathan Kingsley of Austin, Minn.; general grand treasurer, John M. Carter of Baltimore, Md.; general grand secretary, Christopher G. Fox of Buffalo, N. Y.; general grand captain of the host, Bernard G. Witt of Henderson, Ky.; general grand principal sojourner, George E. Corson of Washington, D. C.; general grand royal arch captain, Fred W. Craig of Des Moines, Ia.; general grand masters of the veils, William F. Kuhn of Kansas City, Mo.; Bestor G. Brown of Topeka, Kan., and Charles N. Rix of Hot Springs, Ark.

Of the general grand council the full list of officers is as follows: General grand master, Andrew P. Swanstrom of St. Paul, Minn.; general grand deputy master, Henry C. Larrabee of Baltimore, Md.; general grand principal conductor, Graff M. Acklin of Toledo, O.; general grand treasurer, Charles H. Heaton of Montpelier, Vt.; general grand recorder, Henry W. Mordhurst of Fort Wayne, Ind.; general grand captain of guard, J. Albert Blake of Boston; general grand conductor of council, Edward W. Wellington of Ellsworth, Kan.; general grand marshal, George A. Newell of Medina, N. Y.; general grand steward, Nelson Williams of Hamilton, O.; general grand sentinel, William F. Cleveland of Harlan, Ia.

The convocation of the general grand chapter in Boston also derives especial interest from the fact that the present head of the body is a Massachusetts Mason, who has held high office in all the Masonic bodies in this state, and who is greatly esteemed by the brethren. General Grand High Priest Pollard is a past grand high priest of the grand chapter, past deputy grand master of the grand council and past deputy grand master of the grand lodge. He is also prominent in the Scottish Rite, having received the 33d degree in 1895.

Plans for Entertaining Them.

For several months committees of the grand chapter and grand council have been at work upon the preparations for the reception and entertainment of the visiting companions and their ladies. The committee on the part of the grand chapter consists of Past Grand High Priest J. Albert Blake of Malden, J. Gilman Wake of Medford, Warren B. Ellis of Boston, Samuel F. Hubbard of Boston and Grand High Priest Harry Hunt of Melrose. To these have been added on the part of the grand council, Past Grand Master Forrest E. Barker of [illegible], Grand Principal Conductor [illegible] C. Benton of Belmont and Grand Master Edwin S. Crandon of Cambridge, Past Grand Master [illegible]

Coffee house in 1817 and 1818, the Commercial Coffee house and again in the Mason's hall on Ann st until 1820, when it moved to the old state house, which had been fitted up for Masonic purposes and was occupied by several Masonic bodies.

The extended history the grand high priest gave of the second 25 years covered the period of the great anti-Masonic excitement. During that time he said the affairs of the body were wisely administered, and that earnest and faithful companions defended its interests with a patience and fortitude that demands the warmest admiration. Prudent and judicious measures were taken to promote its prosperity and best good and to preserve the institution from injury, secure its permanency and to render it a public blessing.

In 1838 the general grand chapter of the United States held its 10th triennial meeting in Boston and it was an occasion of great interest.

During the anti-Masonic period the Masonic temple, corner of Tremont st and Temple pl was begun and completed by the grand lodge of Massachusetts. It was occupied by the grand chapter June 12, 1832. The old state house was vacated in 1830, and in the interim, with other bodies, a hall on Washington st, opposite Franklin, was occupied.

During this period the grand high priests, viz: Paul Dean, Daniel Lewis Gibbens, Samuel Clarke, Josiah J. Fiske, Edward Asa Raymond, Simon W. Robinson, John B. Hammett, Elijah Atherton, Thomas Tolman and Charles W. Moore presided over the grand chapter; to the memory of each ample justice was done.

"Fifty years ago the grand chapter numbered only 13 subordinates, while the present number of subordinate chapters in the state is 74, with a united membership of more than 15,000 companions bearing it allegiance."

Nineteen grand high priests have filled that office during the last 50 years, making 39 during the century of its existence. The 19 were Stephen Lovell, Daniel Harwood, Wendell T. Davis, John McClellan, James Kimball, Solon Thornton, Richard Briggs, Henry Chickering, Alfred F. Chapman, John W. Dadmun, Smith B. Harrington, Thomas Waterman, J. Albert Blake, J. Gilman Waite and Serenus Bowen. All but eight of this number have finished their labors with us, and have passed through the veils into the presence of the supreme grand high priest.

The last 50 years' history was presented in interesting detail, and included a sketch of the "Order of High Priesthood."

Meetings during the last 50 years have been held in Masonic temple, corner of Tremont and Temple pl; Nassau hall, corner of Washington and Common sts; Thorndike hall, No. 10 Summer st; Masonic temple, corner of Tremont and Boylston sts; Masonic hall, Roxbury, and in Mason's hall, 18 Boylston st.

Gratifying Growth.

In concluding, M. E. Companion Ellis said: "The growth of the grand chapter is exceedingly gratifying, for it proves the lasting value of our institution. Freemasonary is a practical organization. It is designed to promote the moral and social welfare of its members. Its principles are the expression of the best aspirations of our consciousness; its mission is to unite mankind in bonds of good-fellowship, to promote virtue, and encourage sentiments of fraternal regard and acts of charity, and its prosperity is a measure of the loyalty of its members to their principles."

"With this standard for the test, we have a right to be proud of the position which our grand chapter now occupies. The first epoch of its history is completed in honor, and we stand at the threshold of a new century with confidence that its future will be wisely directed, and that in a larger measure it will continue those influences that have helped to make mankind useful and happy."

The address occupied about an hou in delivery and was rounded off wit hearty applause.

A "Centennial Ode," written by Com panion Fred Clinton Fairbanks, wa sung by the choir.

M E Josiah H. Drummond of Maine past general grand high priest, next ad dressed the grand chapter, expressin his pleasure at being present, and stat ing that the grand chapter of Maine had always been proud of her mother the grand chapter of Massachusetts. He extended the congratulations of the general grand chapter of the United States, of which both bodies have always been loyal friends and stanch supporters. He illustrated his speech with several happy reminiscences, which provoked applause.

In closing he said: "If we go on in our prosperous way, when the next centennial of this grand chapter shall occur the authority of the general grand chapter of the United States will extend over all our country, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from the lakes to the gulf, and I have even strong hopes that our friends from the dominion of Canada will also be with us."

M E Comp Ellis read a letter from M E William H. Martin, grand high priest of the grand chapter of Maryland, expressing the fraternal greetings and hearty congratulations of his grand chapter on the happy occasion being celebrated, and commissioned ME Geo. L. McCahan, past grand high priest of the grand chapter of Maryland, and representative of the grand chapter of Massachusetts, near that grand chapter to be the bearer of those expressions. M E Comp McCahan performed his duty well, and greatly pleased his companions with his gracious words.

He offered in conclusion the following:

One hundred years! What soul can pierce a century of mystery
Or dream how men will celebrate their next centennial day?
One hundred years ago today Companions wrought as well
As we do now, and they are dust and we are here to tell
How noble their example was, and to their memories dear
To offer up a silent prayer and drop a loyal tear.
O, may we work as wisely that the next centennial year
May find our lives cherished and our names in love appear
Upon the glorious roster of nineteen ninety-nine,
Our graves covered on earth by men; our souls in realm divine.

At the Banquet.

A telegram of congratulation was also read from R E Gil W. Barnard, grand secretary of the grand chapter of Illinois, with best wises for continued harmony and prosperity.

Preceding the centennial poem, a fine composition, prepared and read by companion Rev E. Perry Bush, grand chaplain, was introduced; a song, "The Endless Day," by companion Joseph L. White, and "We Praise Thee, O, God," by the choir, with solos by companions Bartlett and White.

The grand chapter was declared closed at 5.30 p m, and for the next hour the companions enjoyed themselves socially in conversation and an inspection of the temple.

The culmination of the day's celebration was in the banquet hall, where at 6.30 350 companions enjoyed the centennial feast. During its service an orchestra of nine pieces gave choice instrumental selections. Following the introductory march, "Hands Across the Sea," the companions being seated, M E Warren B. Ellis, the grand high priest, presided. At his right sat the senior officers present of the general grand chapter of the United States, M E Arthur G. Pollard, general grand king, and at his left M W Charles C. Hutchinson, grand master of Masons in Massachusetts. At their right and left sat M E companions McCahan, Pollard, Drummond Reid, Lyman, F. T. Comer, Armington, A. C. Smith, Thos Waterman, J. Albert Blake and J. Gilman Waite, R E companion Eugene Holton, A. St John Chambre, F. W. Plaisted, Rev C. A. Skinner, Rev J. Perry Bush and Chas. C. Dame.

The oysters having been served, the grand high priest introduced as toastmaster ME J. Albert Blake, who proposed a toast and introduced a respondent at the conclusion of each course, and there were nine courses. The toasts and their respondents were:

"The general grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States of America. Born in our home, fostered by our predecessors and joined to us by the tenderest associations, we offer her our hearty allegiance and earnest wishes for the continuance of her glorious career." Respondent, ME Arthur G. Pollard, general grand high priest of the general grand chapter of the United States.

"The grand Royal Arch chapter of the commonwealth of Massachusetts. Glorying in her birthright, proud of her position. A century's achievements have crowned her name with honor. May her past be earnest of a still brighter future." Respondent, ME Frederick T. Comee, past grand high priest of Massachusetts.

"The most worshipful grand lodge of the commonwealth of Massachusetts. The eldest of her sister jurisdictions." Respondent, MW Charles C. Hutchinson, grand master of Masons in Massachusetts.

"The grand council of Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts. In the capitular rite is found the summit of ancient craft Masonry. In the cryptic rite the perfection of the Royal Arch." Respondent, M Ill Samuel G. Lyman, grand master of the grand council of Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts.

"Sister Jurisdictions."

"The grand commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The order of Knights Templars was introduced into this country by Royal Arch Masons and first worked in the Royal Arch lodge of Boston in 1769. From this beginning has resulted in the grand commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island." Respondent, Sir Rev A. St John Chambre, in the unavoidable absence of Right Eminent Sir George L. Shepley, grand commander, he being in a distant state.

"Our sister jurisdictions. We gladly receive their representatives here tonight, considering it of such moment that one of our brightest past most excellent high priests has been selected to greet them with words of welcome." Most Eminent Albert C. Smith, past grand high priest, was the official selected and he gave a most courteous and cordial welcome to all the guests.

The respondents were M. E. companions Plaisted of Maine, Armington of Rhode Island, Livecur of Nova Scotia, Reid of Canada, Webster of New Hampshire, Wasgate of Florida, Woolson of New Jersey and Chase of Maine.

"The past grand high priests. There were seven 39 during the century, of whom seven are living." Respondent, Most Eminent Sir John Gilman Waite, past grand high priest of the grand chapter of Massachusetts.

"Freemasonry and the church; brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God." Respondent, Rev R. Perry Bush, the grand chaplain of the grand chapter.

It is needless to say that each respondent was well received, and that his presentations attracted liberal applause.

The celebration of the centennial anniversary of the grand Royal Arch chapter of Massachusetts was closed at 11 p m by all joining in singing "Auld Lang Syne" and the drinking to the health M. E. grand high priest.

At the table during the service of the banquet was presented to each companion a handsome bronze medal, 1⅝ inches in diameter. On the obverse is the legend, "Grand Royal Arch chapter of Massachusetts, March 13, 1798;" in the center in relief, the crown, breastplate, book of the law, pot of incense and arrow's rod. On the reverse appears the legend, "First meeting held in 'Mason's hall,' Boston, "Centennial," and in the center the Green Dragon tavern.

Among the members of the grand chapter of Massachusetts present were: M E Warren B. Ellis, grand high priest; R E C. A. Peabody, M D, deputy grand high priest; R E Edward M. Meekins, grand king; R E Wm. E. Livingstone, grand scribe; R E Eugene A. Holton, grand treasurer; R E J. Gilman Waite, grand secretary; R E Companions Wm. H. H. Soule, Arthur W. Beckford, Albert E. Bradley, Edward M. Woodward, Chas. H. Miller, Frank K. Stearns, Edward Parker, Aubrey W. Dunton, John

Companions Rev A. Skinner, grand chaplain; Rev E. Perry Bush, grand chaplain; John H. Bowker, grand captain of the host; Harry Rand, grand lecturer; Edward J. Sartelle, grand lecturer; T. Dexter Johnson, grand principal sojourner; Charles T. Witt, grand master third veil; Henry P. Brown, grand master first veil; William Hamilton, grand steward; John T. Kimball, grand tyler.

The committees in charge of the celebration were: Executive committee, ME John Albert Blake, ME John Gilman Waite, ME Arthur G. Pollard, RE Eugene A. Holton, ME Warren B. Ellis; reception committee, RE Albert L. Richardson, RE Forrest E. Barker, RE Charles Harris, RER Walter Hilliard, RE James Downs, RE Samuel F. Hubbard, RE Robert K. Sears, RE Alfred H. Hartley, RE Charles C. Henry, RE Baalis Sanford, E Abbott L. Aldrich, E John L. Woodman; banquet committee, RE Eugene A. Holton, ME John Gilman Waite; aids, EC Augustus Ridgeway, Companion Horatio G. Hall, Companion John T. Kimball.

WINTHROP, MASS., FRIDAY. OCTOBER 26, 1900.

Winthrop Royal Arch Chapter.

To Mr. Edward B. Newton far more than any one else the above organization owes its existence, and to him and his untiring efforts must largely be credited this latest public, or at least semi-public improvement in our town.

The need and feasibility of a Royal Arch Chapter in Winthrop had been felt for some time, but nothing definite was done toward the organization of one until January of last year when a canvas of the Masonic fraternity of the town was made and almost half a hundred names were subscribed to an agreement to support such an organization if formed.

In June following a formal petition for a dispensation was made to the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, accompanied by the necessary letter of recommendation from Saint John's R. A. Chapter of East Boston.

In the early part of September M.·. E.·. Warren B. Ellis, Grand High Priest, accompanied by R.·. E.·. J. Gilman Waite, Grand Secretary, visited the town, inspected the Masonic apartments, conferred with the petitioners and others and were so well pleased with the outlook that upon their report a dispensation was

Past High Priest—Edward F. Cutter.

granted under date of September 19, 1899, in which the following were named as officers with authority to organize and establish Winthrop Royal Arch Chapter:

Edward F. Cutter, M.·. E.· High Priest; Albert B. Dunham, E.·. King, and Edward B. Newton, E.·. Scribe.

After a number of preliminary meetings, the first regular convocation was held on Friday evening, October 27th, 1899, when thirty-seven applications for the degrees were received. Since then fifteen convocations have been held and the four capitular degrees conferred upon fifty-five candidates. Only Royal Arch Masons can form an idea of the amount of work necessary to make this showing in twelve months.

The year's work being satisfactory to the Grand High Priest, Friday evening, October 19th, was set as

High Priest—Albert B. Dunham.

the time for constituting the Chapter and giving the charter. The day was most propitious and all that could be desired and the early evening trains brought the members of the Grand Chapter and other visitors, some coming from considerable distance.

Shortly after 8 o'clock the following grand officers were received:

Warren B. Ellis, M.·. E.·. Grand High Priest.

Samuel Crowell, R.·. E.·. Deputy Grand High Priest.

Albert Bradley, R.·. E.·. Grand King.

Eleazar Brazer, as R.·. E.·. Grand Scribe.

J. Gilman Waite, R.·. E.·. Grand Secretary.

Wm. H. H. Soule, R.·. E.·. District Deputy G. H. P. District No. 1.

M. Perry Sargent, R.·. E.·. District Deputy G. H. P. District No. 2.

R. Perry Bush, E.·. and Rev. Grand Chaplain.

John H. Bowker, E.·. Grand Captain of the Host.

Harry Hunt, E.·. Grand Lecturer.

Charles T. Witt, E.·. Grand Master Third Veil.

John T. Kimball, E.·. Grand Tyler.

Samuel F. Hubbard, E.·. Past Deputy Grand High Priest.

Richard A. Atwood, Past High Priest St. John's Chapter.

John A. Abraham, Past High Priest, St. Matthew Chapter.

John W. Crooks, High Priest, Shekinah Chapter.

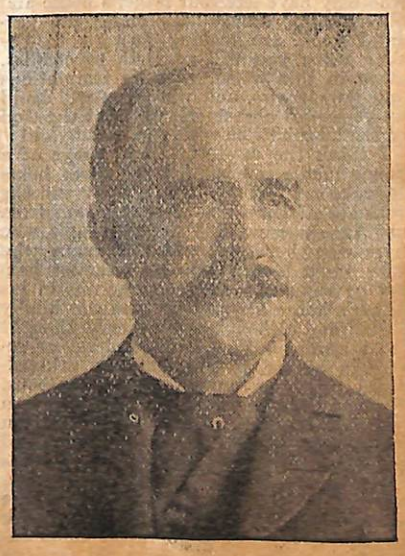
Robert E. Harrison, High Priest, St. Matthew Chapter.

Henry A. Yenetchi, High Priest, Signet Chapter.

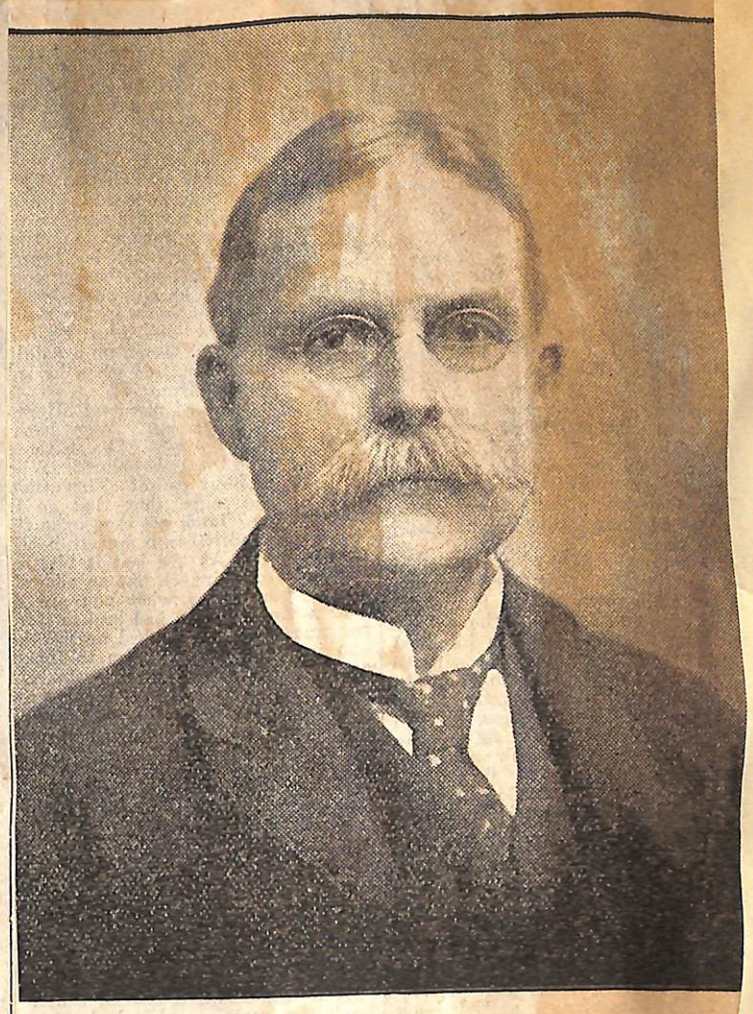
Horace E. Child, High Priest, Waverly Chapter.

Varnum Waugh, King, Mount Vernon Chapter.

And Winthrop Royal Chapter was



King—George F. Payne.



M.·. E.·. Grand High Priest—Warren B. Ellis.
(Courtesy of the Boston Journal.)

formally constituted with the following exercises:

Entrance of grand officers.

Anthem, "The God of Abraham Praise." .....Buck.

Prayer.

E.·. Grand Chaplain, Rev. R. Perry Bush.

Response, "The Lord's Prayer"....Ripley.

Introduction of Petitioners.

R.·. E.·. Deputy Grand High Priest, Sam'l Crowell.

Reading of Charter.

R.·. E.·. Grand Secretary, J. Gilman Waite.

Constitution of Chapter.

M.·. E.·. Grand High Priest, Warren B. Ellis.

Dedication of Chapter.

E.·. Grand Chaplain.

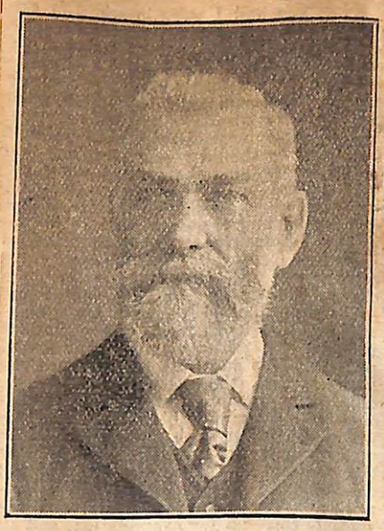
Anthem, "The Lord is God".. Trowbridge.

Proclamation.

E.·. Grand Captain of the Host, John H. Bowker.

At this point Companion Dunham in well chosen and earnest words expressed the Chapter's grateful appreciation of the efficient and valuable services of M.·. E.·. Companion

Scribe—Edward B. Newton.



Treasurer—Thomas H. Cross.

Edward F. Cutter, as High Priest of the Chapter while under dispensation and presented him on behalf of the Companions with a beautiful Past High Priest's apron. Companion Cutter, although completely taken by surprise, proved equal to the emergency and accepted the token with suitable remarks in which he feelingly referred to the pleasant relations which had always existed between himself and the officers and members of the chapter.

After a short intermission the officers of the new chapter were installed as follows:

By the M.·. E.·. Grand High Priest.
High Priest.....Albert B. Dunham
Quartet, "Look to the East,".....Gerrish
King.....Geo. F. Payne
Quartet, "Look to the West,".....Gerrish
Scribe.....Edward B. Newton
Quartet, "Look to the South".....Gerrish

By the R.·. E.·. Deputy Grand High

Secretary—Lewis A. Wallon.

Priest.
Treasurer.....Thomas H. Cross
Secretary.....Lewis A. Wallon
And the appointed officers.
Anthem, "The Lord is My Shepherd,"
.....Marston
Addresses to the High Priest, the officers and Chapter.
R.·. E.·. District Deputy Grand High Priest, Wm. H. H. Soule.
Anthem, "How Beautiful are thy Dwellings,".....Plueger
Proclamation.
E.·. Grand Captain of the Host.
Quartet, "Praise Ye the Lord.'....Ripley

The officers appointed by M.·. E.·. High Priest Dunham are:

Chaplain, David Floyd.
Captain of the Host, Charles G. Bird.
Principal Sojourner, George T. Young.
Royal Arch Captain, Frank A. Douglas.
Master 3d Veil, Ervine D. Osborne.
Master 2d Veil, Edwin M. S. Strout.
Master 1st Veil, Frank F. Cook.
Senior Steward, Herbert A. Larrabee.
Junior Steward, Wm. F. Pratt.
Tyler, Winthrop Magee.

The M.·. E.·. Grand High Priest addressed the chapter expressing great satisfaction with its work and progress and his best wishes for its future success and prosperity.

The musical portion of the exercises was rendered by the Weber Quartet, consisting of Companions A. C. Prescott, 1st tenor; E. E. Holden, 2d tenor; L. G. Ripley, baritone, and W. E. Davison, bass, in the most excellent and enjoyable manner, which has before delighted Masonic and other gatherings in the town. The veteran (not in years so much as in ability and service) composer and director of Masonic music Companion Wm. H. Gerrish. presided at the organ.

After the grand officers had retired the chapter, as its first item of business under the new charter, elected Edward F Cutter its first honorary member in further recognition of his services.

The meeting was then closed and the entire assemblage repaired to Social Hall where a sumptuous banquet was spread and a happy hour was spent in fraternal intercourse.

The chapter starts off with a membership of seventy-five, of whom fifty received the degrees while working under the dispensation.

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Miscellanies.

MASONIC INTELLIGENCE.

TESTIMONIALS OF RESPECT FOR DE WITT CLINTON.

At a stated meeting of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, holden in Masons' Hall, in this city, on Tuesday last, the following Resolutions were unamiously adopted :—

Resolved, That this Grand Chapter are deeply afflicted by the dispensation of Providence, which has taken from them their illustrious Companion, the pride and honor of the Craft, the most Excellent DEWITT CLINTON, late General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States.

Resolved, That we sympathize with our Companions in our common loss of a great and good man, who stood highest in our affections, as well as in our institutions ; and who by his exalted virtues and brilliant labors, presented himself a model for masons, and for men, to imitate and admire.

Resolved, That emblems of mourning for the loss of our Excellent Companion, shall be placed in the Hall at all the meetings of this Grand Chapter during the present year.

Resolved, that this Grand Chapter will, when it adjourns, adjourn to meet at half past seven o'clock this evening, for the purpose of attending religious services, and an Eulogium on the virtues and talents of our most distinguished deceased Brother.

The Grand Chapter convened agreeably to adjournment, with a numerous assembly of distinguished Companions from various parts of the State. Communications were received from several venerable Companions expressing their regret that advanced age and precarious health prevented their presence on the interesting occasion. The solemn services commenced with an anthem.

The Throne of Grace was addressed in prayer by Rev. Companion Thaddeus M. Harris. D. D. A chaste, impressive, and appropriate Eulogium on the life and virtues of the illustrious deceased was then pronounced by the Rev. Companion Huntoon, D. G. H. P. The Elegy, (which is subjoined) was sung by the Companions, and the services were concluded with prayer and benediction by the Rev. Companion Streeter, Senior Grand Chaplain. The Hall was very tastefully and appropriately shrowded and decorated ; and all the arrangements evinced the heavy loss which the Fraternity has sustained in the death of the General Grand High Priest.

ELEGY, BY COMPANION S. H. JENKS, Esq.

When the spirit of the dead,
In some fearful hour departs,
Then the altar-flames that spread,
Kindle hope in faithful hearts,
Thus the setting sun-light glows
On the melting mountain snows.

While the cloud around our souls
Gathers like the pall of death,
Lo! the solemn incense rolls
Heav'nward, with aspiring breath ;
Fragrance mingling with the gloom,
As of flowers on beauty's tomb.

Though we rear no gorgeous urn,
Coldly to inscribe thy name,
CLINTON! Friendship here shall burn
Brightest offerings to thy fame ;
Mem'ry, with her holiest tear,
Oft shall pay that tribute here.

Far above yon arch to soar,
Mighty spirit, thou art gone ;
All thy patriot toils are o'er ;
Fadeless glory hast thou won—
Laurels gained in peaceful fields,
Such as war not conquest yields.

Read his epitaph impressed
On the rock his skill subdued,
On the verdant hills he blessed,
On the forest, on the flood ;
There, immortal Genius! shine ;
Nature's bosom be thy shrine !

Where th' unburthened wild-wood bows,
And the levelled hill-tops smile ;
Where, through ransomed channels, flows
Commerce to her marts the while ;
Where proud rivers kiss the sea,
There his monument shall be.

Here, too, shall his virtues dwell,
Graved on tablets ever bright ;
Long these hallowed halls shall tell
CLINTON's deeds in words of light ;
While the mystic dirge we swell,
Mourn our loss, and sigh Farewell!

The following original ode was sung upon the same occasion.

Mourn ye, with godly sorrowing,
Mourn his departed mind,
Whose hours were filled with usefulness,
Whose love embraced mankind.

His heart was bent on duty,
His hope was raised to God—
Pure love and holy beauty
Adorned the path he trod.

Thine is his home, Immensity!
Undimmed by fear or care,
He sings thy joys, Eternity!
With quiring spirits there !
Mid suns and worlds decaying,
While ruined systems fall,
Itself in strength arraying,
His soul shall smile on all.

God of all love and purity,
Our longing hearts inspire,
With zeal like his for excellence,
With thine own quenchless fire ;
May earth our labors number
With those he did so well,
That when our bodys slumber,
Our souls with his may dwell.

ST. LOUIS, 11th March, A. L. 5828. At a special meeting of Missouri Royal Arch Chapter, No. 1, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted, viz :

Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to remove our illustrious Companion De Witt Clinton, M. E. General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States, from his earthly career of honor and usefulness among his companions and countrymen, and whereas this Royal Arch Chapter, deeply impressed with the loss which the Institution of Masonry has sustained by the decease of so distinguished a member and so valuable an officer, do sincerely deplore this signal bereavement—Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the officers and members of this Chapter will wear the usual badge of Royal Arch mourning for the space of thirty days, in testimony of the profound veneration and sincere respect which they entertain for the memory of the deceased.

Resolved, That Royal Arch Masons within the State of Missouri be requested to wear the like badge of mourning for the same space of time.

Resolved, That a Committee, to consist of Companions Hardage Lane, John Daggett, and George H. C. Melody, be appointed to transmit one copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions to the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States, and one other copy to the family of the deceased.

GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK. At the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of the State of New-York, convened at the Masonic Hall, in New-York, on Wednesday, the 4th instant, the following Brethren were unanimously elected :—

R. W. Stephen Van Rensselear, of Albany, Grand Master.

R. W. and Rev. Henry J. Feltus, of New York, D. G. M.

Ezra C. Cozier, of Utica, S. G. W.

Welcome Esleeck, of Albany, J. G. W.

Oliver M. Lownds, of New-York, Grand Secretary.

George W. Hoyer, of New-York, Grand Treasurer.

Rev. Dr. Reid of Poughkeepsie, and Rev. Dr. Wainwright of New York, Grand Chaplains.

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CONCORD CHAPTER,

Interesting Facts About Royal Arch Masonry.

Address of Presentation Made by Charles W. Coolidge.

Excellent High Priest and Companions of Concord Royal Arch Chapter. I have been asked by a worthy companion to perform in his behalf what is to me a pleasant duty, and as introductory to that, it may be of interest to give a brief history of our Chapter.

In the winter of 1825-6, five Chapter masons met in a private chamber in the historic old Middlesex Hotel in Concord for the purpose of considering the propriety of forming a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the town of Concord. At an adjourned meeting held on Feb. 4th, 1826, twelve Royal Arch Masons from Concord, Acton and neighboring towns met again at the Middlesex Hotel and after discussing the matter they recommended that a petition be presented to the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts for permission to form a Chapter at Concord. It was at this and the previous meeting that the formation of our Chapter was conceived and here it had its birth. After several meetings the petition was perfected and presented to the Grand Chapter of Massachuset s of which the Rev. Paul Dean was Grand High Priest and in due time a Dispensation and Charter were granted. On August 16, 1826 in the old First Parish church at Concord where John Hancock presided over the first Provincial congress in Oct., 1774, the officers of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts met to Consecrate Concord Chapter and publicly install its officers.

The Grand High Priest, Rev. Paul Dean delivered the address and the records state that "he spoke without notes and gave great satisfaction to the fraternity as well as to the large audience which completely filled the church." The speaker traced the history of Masonry, spoke of its nature and effects, contrasting this system with Christianity and assigned to each its appropriate place in that great chain of institutions which connect man with his Creator.

William Whiting of Concord was installed Excellent High Priest and his subordinate officers, Keyes, Shattuck, Fletcher, Ripley, Hosmer and others were all representative men of Middlesex County.

Lemuel Shattuck succeeded Wm. Whiting in 1828 as High Priest and the meetings were regularly held until August, 1829.

At this period commenced the crusade against Masonry which raged from 1829 to 1839, well nigh wrecking the order and paralleled only in its unreasoning fanaticism by the witchcraft delusion of 1692.

The antagonism against Masonry was carried into politics and Governors were made and deposed through its influence, legislatures trimmed and the public mind inflamed against Freemasonry

In 1829 twenty two Chapters were working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter in Massachusetts, but in the succeeding ten years the prejudice had grown to be so bitter that seventeen of the twenty-two Chapters had had their Charters revoked, or had voluntarily surrendered them and, of the five that retained their Charters two were wavering. Concord Chapter ceased work in 1829, but not until 1840 was the Charter, the thirteen jewels and records delivered by High Priest Whiting to the Grand Chapter.

In 1849 the Grand Chapter loaned the thirteen jewels surrendered by Concord Chapter to King Cyrus Chapter of Newburyport, to be returned when called for and they were voluntarily returned in 1854.

Past Grand High Priest, Rev. Paul Dean who had for nearly forty years been a minister in Boston and who had granted the Charter to Concord Chapter in 1826, became a resident of Faamingham in 1848.

In 1854 Wm. Whiting and three others of Concord and Rev. Paul Dean, Jonathan Greenwood, Charles R. Train and other Royal Arch Chapter Masons of Framingham petitioned the Grand Chapter for the restoration of the Concord Charter and the Chapter to be located in Framingham. After due consideration the petition was granted and the Charter, jewels and records were delivered to Companion Greenwood and by him taken to Concord, where a special meeting was called with Concord's former officers in charge, and it was there voted that the Charter jewels, records and other property belonging to Concord Chapter be removed to Framingham and used by the Companions there for their benefit, to be returned again at the end of five years provided the brethren desired it. They were not called for at the end of that period and the Chapter has continued here for forty six years and is in a flourishing condition.

At the first meeting held in Framingham, Companion Greenwood was elected as Excellent High Priest and held the office for twelve years and Companion Dean, Train and others were his associate officers for different terms.

Companion Dean was at this time one of the most prominent Masons in the United States, having served as Chaplain and Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, Chaplain and Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, and Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of the United States.

For a period of nearly forty years he had held the highest offices in the gift of Masonry. In Masonic history and literature he had no superior. During his residence in Framingham he served as Chaplain of our Chapter until the infirmities of age compelled him to resign.

December, 1859 at the age of seventy-seven, he went from Framingham to Boston to attend the annual meeting of the Grand Chapter. He died in Framingham the following year. I well remember the venerable companion, dignified in bearing, courteous and refined in manner and speech and in every respect a true gentleman of the old school. His Masonic life covered a period of fifty four years. It was during the Anti Masonic period that ministers of the Unitarian, Universalist and Baptist faith were among the most staunch and zealous supporters of the Order. Although their religious creeds clashed and were as far apart as the positive and negative of the magnet, yet as Masons they stood shoulder to shoulder in upholding the Fraternity.

I here quote from a Unitarian sermon delivered in Framingham by Rev. Wm. Barry when his Baptist brother, Rev. Charles Train lay dying:

"The annals of this town will never be faithfully recorded if the name and services of this faithful minister are left out. He was a man of peace; may the peace he sought for be a solace for his suffering hours and sooth the pathway to his final rest."

It was this class of men who with Companions Dean, Greenwood, Charles R. Train and their associates rebuilded Concord Chapter which had fallen to decay. Of Companion Greenwood I cannot forbear to speak. His Masonic life covered more than half a century. His knowledge of Freemasonry was of a high order and his devotion to the Craft during its days of adversity as well as in its prosperity, deserves the highest tribute of praise. He died in January, 1885 and on a chill and gray day in mid-winter his brethren assembled at his homestead on the southern slope of Nobscot to perform the last rites for the departed. It was an impressive sight to see his friends and neighbors coming to his home through fields and valleys over the crusted snow. As the sun was low behind the hill we placed the body in the grave in a grove adjoining his house and dropped the lambskin and acacia upon his coffin; and thus ended the earthly journey of a faithful Mason.

Of the dead who were his successors in office among whom I may mention Train, Temple, Moultrop and Wight we have only the pleasantest memories.

Framingham has been at different times the residence of several men who were destined to rank high in Masonry.

Though not connected with Concord Chapter, I will mention the Confederate General Albert Pike who was for two years a student at the Framingham Academy. After the war he became a resident of Washington and was a recognized authority in Masonic history and ranked as one of the highest in the Order in the United States.

After this brief history of Concord Chapter we recognize the fact that its jewels are now worn by honorable and worthy successors and among those who have labored with untiring zeal for the welfare and prosperity of this Chapter it gives me great pleasure to mention Companion John J. Van Valkenburgh, whose reputation as an ardent, studious and faithful Mason is not confined to Framingham, but is recognized and acknowledged by the Grand Lodges of the State. In his behalf I now present this record and chart of all its past and present officers.—As a work it is beautiful in design.—As a record for reference it is clear and accurate in detail. It has involved a great amount of labor in compilation. and in preparing it Companion Van Valkenburgh has shown his thoughtful and kind appreciation of the needs of Concord Chapter. We all know of his generous deeds in the past and I am confident that the Companions will be grateful for this gift and extend to him their hearty thanks.

Boston Journal.

MONDAY EVENING, August 20, 1883.

FROM DENVER, COLORADO.

The Excursion of Representatives of the General Grand R. A. Chapter to Attend the Triennial Convocation at Denver, and Meeting of the General Grand Chapter, Etc.

[Special Correspondence of The Boston Journal.]

DENVER, Col., Aug. 14. The party comprising M. E. General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, Companion Alfred F. Chapman of Boston and suite, and the M. E. Grand Commander Sir Caleb Saunders and suite of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, which left Boston on Monday of last week via Boston and Lowell Railroad, arrived safely here on Friday. Since embarking on the Pullman car Nashua, leaving Boston, the trip has proved to be one of unalloyed pleasure to all participating. At Lowell, Nashua and Concord the train was boarded by prominent Masonic fraters, who not only offered their hearty good wishes for the comfort and happiness of the party, but left behind them substantial evidences thereof, which later proved that they had indeed been found wise among their companions. A hasty lunch at White River Junction and supper at St. Albans alone interrupted the remainder of the day's ride. Leaving Montreal in the early evening on the second section of the train, the journey continued without interruption, breakfasting on the cars Tuesday, dining at Toronto, and taking supper at Sarnia. During the stop of the train at Stratford, Ont., the members of the party assembled in the car, and Sir Albert L. Richardson was made the recipient of a Masonic memento, the gift of friends at this point. On the following morning the party were met by the unpleasant news that an accident had taken place upon the road and that they were liable to a detention of several hours. The discussion of an excellent breakfast in the dining car which was attached to our train occupied the early hours of the day, and when we again sped on our way, after a delay of four hours, the hearts of the entire company seemed once again to be at ease. The delay, however, did not interfere with the plans of the trip, except that the four hours' leisure in Chicago was a thing not to be. Journeying westward over the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad the ride and scenery to Council Bluffs were much praised. Cool and pleasant weather had been the order of the day since our start and has since continued. The freedom from dust enabled all to take the utmost comfort—a thing scarcely to have been hoped for at this season of the year. The few hours in Omaha were availed of by the ladies of the party, who "did the town," while the male members were engaged in looking after the important details necessary at this point. A ride across the plains without other than the usual accompaniment of sand and dust brought us to Denver on Friday morning, where we were met at the depot by the Denver Reception Committee, which had arranged for our comfort and convenience during our stay here. Apartments had been engaged at the Windsor for the entire party, and upon taking possession of them, the evidences of the trip were speedily removed. The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado had arranged an excursion to Idaho Springs and Clear Creek Canon for Saturday, and at the appointed hour a special train left the Union Depot for what proved to be a day of pleasure seldom equaled. The morning was bright and pleasant, and none dreamed of what the day would bring forth. The journey to the Springs was one of wonderment for those who had never before witnessed the grandeur of Colorado scenery—the immense rocky sides of the canon stretching heavenward as far as the eye could reach. Reaching Idaho Springs, the hot soda baths, the hot tunnel, the ore crushers and mines were inspected, and dinner was taken at the Spa House. The repast had scarcely been completed when a thunder storm broke over the little village, and the rain fell in torrents. Central, a few miles above, was visited by a water-spout which carried away the railroad bridge, which was but a few steps from our own tracks, and which the party had the satisfaction of seeing after the rain without participating in any delay on account of it. The storm over, the mountains were covered with hail-stones, and those who desired were able to pick them up in larger quantities than they had ever before seen. The return trip was made after some shoveling had been done in advance of the engine, where the banks had been washed out, and during the entire distance the effects of the rain were enjoyed in watching the turbulent and muddy waters of the creek as they rushed through the canon beside the track, carrying everything in their way. Sunday morning a special train was taken on the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad for Manitou, and the day was spent in visiting the Garden of the Gods, Rainbow Falls, Cave of the Winds and Ute Pass. Dinner was served at the Manitou House, and the party reached Denver on the return at eleven o'clock in the evening, after a ride of one hundred and seventy miles. Much dissatisfaction was expressed by all at the treatment on the return by the management of the Windsor Hotel. A telegram had been sent saying that the party would return late, and asking that a late supper be in readiness. Judge of the surprise when they were seated to a lunch of dry bread and coffee, and coolly informed by the waiters that everything else was locked up. Luckily, all the eatables in Denver were not in a like condition, and with outside assistance none were obliged to go to bed hungry. A chance exists for great improvement in the service in this house, especially in the line of civility and courteous treatment in the dining room.

On Monday morning the General Grand Chapter of the United States and ladies, and also the representatives of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, were taken in open carriages for a drive about the city and suburbs, after which the representatives of the General Grand Chapter of the United States were escorted by Colorado Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templars (mounted), and the Grand Chapter of Colorado and Denver Chapter, No. 2, to the Masonic Temple, where the meeting of the General Grand Chapter of the United States was opened by a reception. The exercises consisted of an address of welcome by M. E. R. W. Woodbury, Grand High Priest of Colorado; response by M. E. Alfred F. Chapman of Massachusetts, Deputy General Grand High Priest, Acting General Grand High Priest; address of welcome by M. W. Frank Church, Grand Master of Masons of Colorado; response by R. E. Noble D. Larner of the District of Columbia, General Grand King, after which the business of the day was taken up.

The New England representatives present are as follows:

Maine—Frank E. Sleeper, G. H. P.

New Hampshire—John R. Holbrook, P. G. H. P.; Geo. W. Currier, P. G. H. P.; Henry G. Dearborn, proxy G. K.

Vermont—Alfred A Hall, proxy of G. H. P.; John W. Newton, proxy of G. S.

Massachusetts—Albert C. Smith, M. E. G. H. P.; John Haigh, Dep. G. H. P.; W. A. Farnsworth, G. King; Albert L. Richardson, G. Scribe; Caleb Saunders, G. Treas.; C. C. Hutchinson, G. Sec'y; Charles H. Baldwin, G. Capt. of Host; James D. Rominus, G. R. A. C.; J. H. Gilbert, G. P. S.; O. A. Fay, G. M. 1st Veil; James Downes, G. M. 2d Veil; Samuel Smith, G. M. 3d Veil; Baalis Sanford, G. C.; George W. Fay, G. T.

Connecticut—John S. Castle, G. H. P.; Chester Tilden, D. G. H. P.; James McCormick, G. King.

In the evening the visitors attended a banquet at the Masonic Temple, given in their honor by the Grand Chapter of Colorado. The hour before the banquet was spent in social enjoyment in the lodge rooms. The conventional attire of the gentlemen and the rich costumes of the ladies made the assemblage most brilliant. The band in the ante-room enlivened the occasion with numerous selections, to the airs of which many scores promenaded.

At 10 o'clock at a signal the march into the banquet hall began. The scene that presented itself was attractive in the extreme. Extending the long length of the room were five tables with covers laid for 400 guests. The tables were ornamented with flowers worked in emblems most beautifully. The menu that was discussed was prepared in Charpiot's best style, and was as follows:

HORS DOEUVRES.

Queen Olives, Pickles, Radishes, Anchovies.

FISH.

Colorado Trout, Sauce Verte.

SALADS.

Chicken, Mayonaise of Lobster, Russe.

COLD MEATS.

Beef Tongue, a l'Ecarlate, Boned Turkey, en Bellevue, Westphalia Ham, Saddle of Veal, with Jelly, Spring Chicken, with Cresses.

DESSERT.

Nougat, Macaroons, Sponge Cake, Lady Fingers, Meringues, Cream Cakes, Mandelines, Carbeilles of Assorted Fruit, Coffee, Tutti Frutti, Ice Cream.

After the viands had been thoroughly discussed M. E. G. H. P. Woodbury introduced the Hon. W. D. Andrews as the toastmaster of the evening, who welcomed the visitors in a few well chosen remarks. He gave as the first sentiment of the evening: "The General Grand Chapter of the United States," the parent and guardian of all capitular Masonry in its jurisdiction. May its twenty-fifth convocation not only redound to the honor and glory of the order, but the ties of friendship and brotherly love here formed be "like the stone which the builders rejected, as firm and lasting as the key which completed the arch." Responded to by Alfred F. Chapman of Boston, General Grand High Priest.

Second sentiment—"The Silent Tribute." It is always well to pause in our festivities and cast a glance of remembrance at the past; to call to mind the happy reflections incident to the ties of brotherly love and friendship. Let us, therefore, in silence and reflection call to mind the virtues of mind and heart of "those companions who have passed over to the silent and unseen majority."

Third sentiment—"The Ladies." Our most excellent companions, the ladies. Last at the cross, first at the tomb and *always* in the hearts of our companions. When forgotten by us "may our tongue cleave to the roof of our mouth and our right hand forget its cunning." Responded to by Hugh McCurdy, P. G. H. P. of Michigan.

Fourth sentiment—"The Master Mason." The tried and selected material as the corner stone upon which our institution firmly rests; may the "great light" of Masonry be forever his rule and guide, securing his peace on earth and a lasting happiness in the life beyond. Responded to by the Rev. Lansing Burrows, D. D., of Lexington, Kentucky.

Fifth sentiment—"The Sir Knight." The valiant and magnanimous Sir Knight, whose glittering blade is ever ready in the defence of "innocent maidens, destitute widows, helpless orphans and the Christian religion." Responded to by Nicholas Van Slyck of Providence, Rhode Island.

Sixth sentiment—"Our Country." "The land of the free and the home of the brave." Music—"Our Country." Responded to by Rev. D. H. Moore of Denver.

Other Toasts—"The Universality of Masonry: more ancient than the golden fleece or the Roman eagle, more honorable than the star and garter, and includes men of every country, section and opinion." Responded to by Rev. J. W. Dadmun of Massachusetts.

"The Scottish Rite: That enlists the veterans in its ranks and carries them to that pinnacle of knowledge of the emblematic art, the Thirty-third Degree." Responded to by Joseph P. Horner (thirty-third degree) of Louisiana.

"The Mutual Admiration Society: the self-elected promoters and rulers of law and order in all grand jurisdictions of the several Masonic grand organizations, better known as the 'Committee on Foreign Correspondence.'" Replied to by Thomas McF. Patton of Oregon.

The termination of the entertainment was reached shortly before one o'clock, and the company, after partaking of a sip of "Colorado Champagne," retired to their respective quarters.

The General Grand Chapter resumed its session this morning and proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing term of three years, with the following result:

General Grand High Priest, Alfred F. Chapman of Boston, Mass.; Deputy General Grand High Priest, Noble D. Larner, Washington, D. C.; General Grand King, David F. Day, Buffalo, N. Y.; General Grand Scribe, Joseph P. Horner, New Orleans, La.; General Grand Treasurer, Reuben C. Lennon, Toledo, O.; General Grand Secretary, Chris. G. Fox, Buffalo, N. Y.; General Grand Captain of Host, Thomas McF. Patton, Portland, O.; General Grand Principal Sojourner, Benj. F. Haller, Memphis, Tenn.; General Grand Royal Arch Captain, R. W. Woodbury, Denver, Col.; General Grand Master Third Veil, William H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo.; General Grand Master Second Veil, Lansing Burrows, Lexington, Ky.; General Grand Master First Veil, John J. Sumpter, Hot Springs, Ark.

The newly-elected and appointed officers were installed by Past G. H. Priest A. T. C. Pierson of St. Paul, Minn.

The business transacted has been of a general nature and incident to the work of the order. The next convocation will take place in August, 1886, in the city of Washington, D. C.

The General Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, of the United States is holding its triennial meeting, the following members of the Grand Council of Massachusetts being present: John Haigh, M. Ill. Grand Master; Albert C. Smith, Deputy Grand Master; Charles H. Baldwin, Ill. Grand Master of the Work; C. C. Hutchinson, Ill. Grand Treasurer; Alfred F. Chapman, Ill. Grand Recorder; George W. Fay, Ill. Grand Master of Ceremonies; Caleb Saunders, Ill. Grand Conductor of Work; James D. Rominus, Ill. Grand Sentinel; Past M. Ill. Masters, Rev. John W. Dadmun, Albert L. Richardson; Past Deputy Grand Master, William A. Farnsworth.

After the close of the session the members visited the Exposition and Smelting Works by invitation. Many of those present leave here for San Francisco to attend the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Commandery of the United States, the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island being represented by Right Eminent Sir Caleb Saunders, Grand Commander, and the following suite, occupying their special Pullman car: Charles C. Hutchinson, Deputy Grand Commander; George W. Fay, Grand Generalissimo; Alfred F. Chapman, Grand Captain General by proxy; Noyes W. Fisk, as Senior Grand Warden; Charles E. Thomas, as Junior Grand Warden; Albert L. Richardson, as Grand Recorder; James D. Ronimus, as Grand Treasurer; Baalis Sanford, as Grand Prelate; Charles H. Baldwin, as Grand Captain of the Guards; John Haigh, Grand Standard Bearer; James Downs, as Grand Sentinel; N. Van Slyck, Past Eminent Grand Commander; Albert C. Smith, Eminent Commander. Guards—S. P. Bartlett, J. H. Gilbert, F. B. Washburn, Othello A. Fay, Samuel Smith. A visit will be made en route to Salt Lake City and a day spent there. The headquarters of the party in San Francisco will be at the Palace Hotel, and a tour of California will be made previous to the return to the East.

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MASONS JUBILATE.

100th Anniversary of Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

Brilliant Ceremonies Attended by About 350 Companions.

Representatives There from Nearly Every Chapter in the State—Grand High Priest M E Warren B. Ellis Presided.

It was a large, enthusiastic and decidedly representative gathering of Companions of the Royal Arch, who gathered in Ionic hall, Masonic temple, yesterday afternoon, and in the banquet hall in the evening, to celebrate the centennial anniversary of the grand royal arch chapter of Massachusetts.

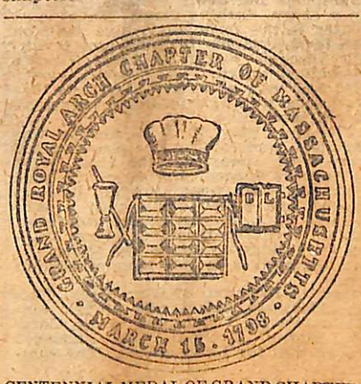
M E WARREN B. ELLIS

The centennial of the birthday of the grand chapter actually occurred on March 18, 1898, but because of the illness of the then grand high priest, its observance was deferred, and finally it was decided to await the completion of the new Masonic temple, so that the celebration commemorative of this notable event in capitular Masonry, with especial reference to the history of the grand chapter, could be held in its commodious apartments.

The ceremonies in the afternoon were held in Ionic hall, the hall specially designed for the uses of the Royal Arch chapters. In it, in the presence of nearly 350 companions, among them representatives of nearly every subordinate chapter in the state, the grand chapter was opened at 2 o'clock by the grand high priest, ME Warren B. Ellis. Each of the officer's stations was decorated handsomely with cut flowers.

Then came the reception of the invited guests. Among those escorted into the grand chapter and cordially welcomed by Grand High Priest Ellis was E Comp Henry W. Fisher, representing the Massachusetts consistory, A. A. S. Rite, of which he is commander-in-chief; Comp Benjamin W. Rowell, representing the grand commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, of which he is grand recorder: M Ill Samuel G. Lyman, grand master, and Comp Oliver A. Roberts, representing the grand council of Royal and Select Masters; ME Harry Galbraith, grand high priest of the grand chapter of Delaware; ME Enos Wasgate, past grand high priest of the grand chapter of Florida; RE F. W. Plaisted, deputy grand high priest, and ME Albro E. Chase, past grand high priest of the grand chapter of Maine; ME Charles H. Webster, grand high priest; RE John A. Lang, grand king; RE Joshua W. Hunt, grand scribe, and RE Albert S. Wait, correspondent of the grand chapter of New Hampshire; ME George C. Woolson, grand high priest of New Jersey; ME Arthur H. Armington, grand high priest; RE Horace S. Richardson, deputy grand high priest; RE Fayette B. Bennett, grand king; RE William R. Greene, grand secretary, and ME Albert L. Anthony, past grand high priest of the grand chapter of Rhode Island; ME H. R. Thompson, deputy grand high priest of Vermont; ME Wilbur G. Reid, grand Z of the grand chapter of Canada, and ME Stephen R. Golcom, past grand high priest of the grand chapter of Nova Scotia.

To MW Charles C. Hutchinson grand master of Masons in Massachusetts, who was accompanied by R W Sereno D. Nickerson, past grand master and grand secretary of the grand lodge, and R W Charles C. Dame, past grand master, representing the grand lodge, A. F. and A. M. of Massachusetts, M E Companion Ellis gave special welcome, as he also did to M E Arthur G. Pollard of Lowell, general grand king of the general grand Royal Arch chapter of the United States, who was accompanied by M E Josiah H. Drummond of Portland, Me, and M E George L. McCahan of Baltimore, Md, past general grand high priests, to which welcome both M W Bro Hutchinson and M E Comp Pollard responded, the first voicing the greetings and congratulations of the grand lodge, and the latter those of the general grand chapter.



CENTENNIAL MEDAL OF GRAND CHAPTER.

Devotional exercises were conducted at the altar by E Rev Charles A. Skinner, grand chaplain, in which the companions united, after which the grand chapter was declared open in ample form, the grand high priest announcing the purpose for which this special convocation was called.

"O, Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord," was sung under the direction of Comp Howard M. Dow, grand organist, by a choir composed of Companions T. L. Cushman, T. H. Norris, George W. Want, Lester M. Bartlett, Joseph L. White, Fred C. Fairbanks, W. E. Davidson and J. L. Thomas.

The opening address was delivered by M E Thomas Waterman, past grand high priest, who said:

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"It has been the custom from time immemorial, when a number of people were seated at table, that some one should crave a blessing and express thanks for the food which had been provided. It appears to me that my position at this time is somewhat similar, that I am placed here to say 'grace before meat,' as it were, or in other words to bid you welcome, and to briefly address you in some light and pleasing fashion, to serve as a preparation or introduction to the more solid 'feast of reason and flow of soul' which is to follow."

Continuing he made a fine address, his points being often applauded. He concluded:

"Welcome, thrice welcome all, whether you come from the east, from the west, from the south or from the north; welcome to the old bay state; welcome to the modern Athens, the hub of the universe; welcome to this formal celebration of our 100th year of vigorous and healthful existence as a Grand Royal Arch chapter."

Following the aria, "With Holy Thoughts," sung by Companion T. L. Cushman, M E Warren B. Ellis, the grand high priest, addressed the companions as follows:

"The last quarter of the last century was rich in incidents affecting the welfare of our country in almost every direction; among those which had a bearing on the moral and social development of our own state were two small gatherings in the old Green Dragon tavern in Boston, one of which occurred Oct 24, 1797, and was the beginning of the General Grand Royal Arch chapter of the United States; the other March 13, 1798, at which the Grand Royal Arch chapter of Massachusetts was established. This event we have the honor to commemorate.

"The beginning of this body was exceedingly modest, its founders were few in number, without the advantage of experience and with little conception of the possibilities of their undertaking. But, however feeble their beginning, their action was inspired by a noble purpose, for they sought to enlarge the usefulness of Freemasonry and to extend the practice of those principles which uplift and improve society."

"Experience has confirmed the wisdom of our founders, for the feeble body of 100 years ago has grown into a great organization of more than 15,000 Royal Arch Masons, which exerts an influence that is respected wherever the capitular rite is known or practiced. We have, therefore, good cause to rejoice as we trace the growth of our grand chapter and mark the success that has crowned its career.

"We cannot reflect upon the position which it now occupies without feeling a deeper love for her good name, and a stronger purpose to support those principles that have made her success; nor do we forget at this time to acknowledge our obligation to that Overruling Providence which has attended us alike in adversity and prosperity, and to whom we must continue to look for wisdom to direct our future course."

Among some of the notable incidents mentioned by M. E. Companion Ellis in the reading of his address the following was specially notable:

The first master and first senior warden of the first Royal Arch lodge in Boston were British soldiers and members of a company stationed in Boston for the purpose of protecting royal interests previous to the revolution. These soldiers soon left Boston and no meeting of the Royal Arch lodge was held during the period of the revolutionary war.

Beginning of Grand Chapter.

"The only record that we have of the beginning of the formation of the grand chapter is found in the records of St Andrews chapter. The relations then existing between St. Andrews and King Cyrus chapter of Newburyport, the only Royal Arch bodies in this state, were very cordial, and each had the same interest in forming a grand chapter. Associated with the companions of these bodies were Thomas Smith Webb and John Hammer of Temple chapter of Albany, N Y, who also took a deep interest in this movement. The subject was discussed in each of the chapters represented by these companions, and each appointed a committee to act in its behalf. The result was the meeting before mentioned at the Green Dragon tavern October 24, 1797.

This meeting or convention was the beginning of the General Grand chapter of the United States; its organization was completed in the city of Hartford, Conn, in January of the following year. The grand chapter of Massachusetts was organized in accordance with the provisions of the General Grand constitution, March 13, 1798, in the old Green Dragon tavern."

Following an interesting sketch of the early history of the chapters then existing in this state, also in the states of Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, the Carolinas and in Virginia, the grand high priest continued with a succinct story of the formation and early history of the grand chapter of Massachusetts, including a sketch of its first grand high priest, Benjamin Hurd Jr.

During the first 25 years of the existence of the Grand chapter, it had 10 grand high priests, including Companion Hurd, viz Dudley Atkins Tyng, Timothy Bigelow, Isaiah Thomas, Oliver Prescott, James Dean Hopkins, John Abbott, Andrew Sigourney, James Prescott and Jonathan Gage, and of each he gave honorable biographical mention. During this 25 years, the history of the grand chapter he showed to be one of gratifying progress, its affairs being wisely managed and its officers working together in great harmony. Fourteen chapters were chartered.

The early meeting places of the grand chapter were first in the Green Dragon tavern, the home of several early Masonic bodies in Boston, and which will ever be remembered for its association with the events of the revolutionary period. Then followed Mason's hall on Ann, now North st; the Ex-

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PUBLIC INSTALLATION.

The officers of Parker Royal Arch Chapter were publicly installed at Free Mason's hall, Tuesday evening, by Rt. Excellent Harry Hunt, assisted by Rt. Excellent J. J. Van Valkenburg as captain of the host and Excellent Oliver A. Roberts as chaplain.

A fine instrumental concert was rendered from 7.30 to 8 by Knowlton & Allen's orchestra, which was greatly enjoyed. Promptly at 8 o'clock, P. H. P James H. Gilligan delivered an address of welcome, after which the ceremonies of installation were performed in a very able manner, the Harvard Quartet of Boston assisting in the work, which added much to its impressiveness.

After the ceremonials Rt. Excellent Charles C. Henry, in a few well chosen remarks, presented Ex. High Priest Ferguson with a past high priest's jewel. Mr. Ferguson expressed his surprise at receiving the gift and extended his hearty thanks. Remarks were also made by the installing officers which were greatly enjoyed. A collation was served in the banquet hall, after which dancing was enjoyed until 12 o'clock.

The officers installed for the ensuing year were as follows: Excellent high priest, Thomas W. Ferguson; king, John G Basson; cribe, Charles A. Bills; chaplain, Theodore L. Swain; treasurer Harvey H. Whitney; secretary, Rt Ex Charles C. Henry; captain of host, Fred B. Ambler; principal sojourner, Charles A. Coombs; Royal Arch captain, Adrian D. Perry; master of third vail, Frederick F. Schaller; master of second vail, Arthur Twitchell; master of first vail, Thomas F. Adams; senior steward, Frank S. Currier; junior steward, Joseph P. Adams; organist, W. G. S. Chamberlain; sentinel, Charles W. Bates.

The reception committee consisted of Past Most Excellent High Priests Alfred H. Bryant, Franklin B. Tilton, Oscar S. Walker, Edward H. Wilson, James H. Gilligan, James Downs, Daniel C. Felton, Charles C Henry, Charles W. Bates, John Connelly, Franklin J. Bigwood, Herman Godendorf.

The ushers were Frank B. Twitchell, Charles T. Brooks, Alfred T. Dean, Chester B. Williams, Homer H. Fiske, Walter H. G. Drayton.

On the same authority it is reported that Mr. Cooper

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BOSTON.
FRIDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 8, 1822.

Masonic Calendar.

COMMUNICATIONS NEXT WEEK.

Corner Stone Lodge, Duxbury, Monday Evening,
King Solomon, Charlestown, Tuesday,
Bethesda, Brighton, Tuesday,
Portland, Portland, Wednesday.
Montgomery, Medway. do.
St. Andrews, Boston, Thursday.

MASONIC INTELLIGENCE.

INSTALLATION. On Friday evening last, the officers of St. Paul's R. A. Chapter, were installed at Mason's Hall in the Old State House. The High Priest was installed by the Rev. Paul Dean, D. G. H. P. and the other officers by the newly invested High Priest. The charges delivered on this occasion were of a superior order, and partook of as much novelty and originality in thought and language, as the subject would admit. An address was delivered by A. A. Dame, Esq. which was neat and appropriate. The various performances succeeded each other without the delay which often renders services of this kind tedious and languid, and the whole were received with unmingled delight by a large assemblage, among which were many gentlemen, not belonging to the masonic fraternity, and a brilliant collection of those, who, although not permitted to pass *within the veil* of the masonic temple, do yet occupy the most sacred recesses in the hearts and affections of every Mason.

The following hymn written for the occasion, by the High Priest elect, was sung by a choir, whose performances added much to the general gratification.

While through life's *rugged paths* we stray,
Like *weary Pilgrims* on their way
To reach their native land;
Where shall we wanderers, weak and *blind*,
Some gen'rous, bland *conductor* find,
To take us by the hand?

When war her blood stain'd banner waves,
And conquerors drag their wretched slaves,
From *altars*, friends, and peace;
What arm shall break the captive's chain,
What voice shall cheer their hopes again,
With prospect of release?

O Thou! whose voice to *Moses* came
Amidst the *bush-consuming flame*—
Our *mental blindness* cure;
Conduct us on life's dreary way,
Resolve our darkness into day,
And make our footsteps sure.

O Thou! who Israel's hosts did lead,
And *Israel's tribes* from bondage freed—
From slavery set *us* free;
Lur'd by the *serpent's* wiles no more,
Do Thou our wand'ring souls restore,
To virtue, heaven and Thee.

Then, ever grateful, to the skies
From every heart shall *incense* rise,
And *love* shall feed the flame;
Then all mankind shall offerings bring,
To thee our *Guide*, *Deliv'rer*, *King*,
And bless thine holy name.

We perceive by the Eastern Argus of Friday, that an act has passed the legislature of Maine, incorporating the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of that state, and four or five of the subordinate Lodges.

OFFICERS of St. PAUL'S R. A. CHAPTER, installed Feb. 1, 1822.

John Howe, High Priest.
Abraham A. Dame, King.
William Wright, Scribe.
Michael Roulstone, Treasurer.
Gershom Cobb, Secretary.
Asa Bugbee, R. A. Capt.
Joshua Bean, C. H.
Nathanel Williams, Principal Sojourner.
Isaac Bemis, Master of 3d Veil.
Elijah Utley, " of 2d "
Nehemiah Lovejoy, " of 1st "
Simon W. Robinson, } Stewards.
William Palfray, }
Rev. Paul Dean, Chaplain.
Elias Haskell, } Committee of Finance and
Enoch Hobart, } Charity.
Daniel Baxter, }

Officers of the SALEM COUNCIL OF ROYAL MASTERS, elected Jan. 7, 1822.

Henry Whipple, M. I. M.
Amos Clarke, I. M.
Joseph Eveleth, I. G. M.
Jesse Putnam, M. E.
John Howard, jr. R.
Frankin H. Story, M. G.
William Lummus, S.

ORDER OF SERVICES

September 5th, 1894.

Afternoon, at Two o'clock.

Sutton Hall, Masonic Temple.

Opening and Reception of M.·. E.·. General Grand High Priest,
M.·. E.·. Grand High Priest,
Most Worshipful Grand Master,
and Invited Guests.

1. Invocation.
2. Anthem.
3. Reading of Charter.
4. Singing.
5. Short Addresses.
6. Original Hymn, written by Rev. Edward A. Horton, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge. Music by Companion Howard M. Dow.
7. Historical Address by R.·. E.·. Warren B. Ellis.
8. Singing.
9. Poem written for this celebration by Companion Fred C. Fairbanks.
10. Singing.
11. Closing.

The singing will be by the Temple Quartette, under the direction of Companion Howard M. Dow.

Only Members of the Fraternity admitted to the afternoon services, which will conclude at Four o'clock.

Evening, at Eight o'clock.

ENTERTAINMENT FOR COMPANIONS AND THEIR LADIES.

Mechanics Hall, Huntington Avenue.

1. Entrance of Officers and Invited Guests.
2. Concert.
3. Dancing.
4. Banquet.
5. Dancing.

The Music will be furnished by a Select Orchestra of 35 pieces, under the direction of Companion Thomas M. Carter.

ular bodies. At that time the brethren were first known as companions. In connection with this visit was discussed the subject of a union of the chapters, and as one result may be mentioned the appointment of a committee to confer with the committees of temple chapter and the Newburyport chapter, for the purpose of forming

A GRAND CHAPTER

of Royal Arch Masons. The committees from the three chapters met Oct. 24, 1797, but without definite action. Jan. 24, 1798, a second convention was held at which the same chapters were represented, together with delegates from Providence, R. I., Derby, Norwich and New Haven, Ct., and Hudson and Whitestown, N. Y. The grand chapter of the northern states of America was formed, which afterward came to be known as the general grand chapter of the United States.

Following close upon this was the formation of a deputy grand chapter for Massachusetts, which was organized by the municipal officers of the chapters in Massachusetts at the Green Dragon tavern, March 13, 1798.

This in brief details the early history of the chapter from its formation to the organization of the deputy grand chapter, and the close of its independent character. The chapter was now on a sound basis. The degree work was carefully attended to, and from year to year such changes as seemed necessary were made in the rules and regulations. The subsequent records are full and complete, but lack of space forbids a detailed account. Some of the names most honored in the Masonic World appear upon its records in offices of trust and honor. In addition to those already mentioned may be noted those of Timothy Bigelow, afterward grand master; Benjamin Russell, also grand master; Rev. Asa Eaton, D. D., rector of Christ Church; John R. Bradford, Gov. Henry J. Gardner, Grand Master William Parkman, Grand Master John T. Heard, Grand Master Richard Briggs, Mayor F. O. Prince and many others.

One of the brightest names which has shed lustre upon the history of St. Andrew's chapter is that of the late Alfred F. Chapman, who died in 1891, lamented by all. He served the chapter as high priest for two years, having previously filled the minor offices. He was appointed assistant secretary in 1869, and secretary in 1873, in which office he served until his death. He was also grand high priest, general grand high priest, and at the time of his death was grand secretary of the grand chapter of Massachusetts, and grand recorder of the grand commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

His successor in the office of grand secretary of the grand chapter was the present incumbent, Dr. Seranus Bowen of Boston. Dr. Bowen is also high priest of St. Andrew's chapter, in which body he was exalted November, 1866. Under his leadership the 125th anniversary of the chapter will be observed next Wednesday, with appropriate ceremonies.

THE PROGRAMME

as at present arranged includes a special service for members of the fraternity at Sutton Hall, Masonic Hall, Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 5, at 2 o'clock, and an entertainment and concert for companions and ladies at Mechanics' Hall, Huntington avenue, at 8 P. M. The service at Masonic Temple will include music and various exercises, original hymn written by Grand Chaplain Rev. Edward A. Horton, historical address by Past High Priest Warren B. Ellis, and an orignal poem by Companion Fred C. Fairbanks. The singing will be by the Temple quartet, under the direction of Companion Howard M. Dow.

Among invited guests will be the general grand high priest, Past General Grand High Priests Noble D. Larner of Washington and Josiah H. Drummond of Portland, the grand high priest and grand master of Massachusetts and many other prominent Masons, who will assemble to assist St. Andrew's royal arch chapter in her observance of so notable an anniversary.

[Reported for The Boston Journal.]

Anniversary of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter.

Rarely has Corinthian Hall, in Masonic Temple, contained so large and brilliant a company of ladies and gentlemen as that assembled there last evening to participate in the festivities and ceremonies incident to the celebration of the fiftieth, or golden, anniversary of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter. To add to the interest and pleasure of the occasion the installation of the officers elect for the ensuing year was made public. About half an hour prior to the announcement of the ceremonies the Germanians entertained the assembling company by some of their pleasing selections.

At eight o'clock the hall was densely crowded by the brethren and their ladies and invited guests, and a number were unable to gain admission beyond the portals. The costumes of ladies were rich and elegant in the extreme.

The usual induction ceremonies were conducted in a solemn and impressive manner by Caleb Rand, E. H. P., who qualified for their respective offices the following officers elect:

Frederick A. Pierce, H. P.; James A. Fox, K.; Alexander K. Bryer, S.; Samuel W. Greene, C. of H.; Henry Warren, P. S.; Charles G. Hayden, R. A. C.; James Mills, M. of T. V.; J. T. Kimball, M. of S. V.; Charles A. Burgess, M. of F. V.; John K. Hall, Treasurer; Theodore H. Emmons, Secretary; W. Sawyer, S. S.; T. R. Jacobs, J. S.; Rev. Samuel C. Kelly, Chaplain.

The music performed during the installation ceremony was by a double quartette of cultivated vocalists under the direction of Mr. J. B. Sharland, and added materially to highten the evening's enjoyment.

At the conclusion of the installation ceremonies the company, numbering about five hundred, was invited to a splendid banquet laid in the "St. George," and prepared by Mr. William Tufts. The tables groaned beneath their burdens of delicacies and substantials. Magnificent and fragrant bouquets were placed at frequent intervals on each table, and in the centre of that at which was seated the officers, past and present, and a few distinguished guests, there was placed a very handsome floral ornament of mammoth proportions The richly laden tables, the elegant costumes of the ladies, set off to good advantage beneath the many gas jets, constituted a scene of great brilliancy and beauty.

The company was called to order by High Priest Frederick A. Pierce, who called upon the Chaplain, Rev. Mr. Kelly, to address the Throne of Grace. After doing ample justice to the viands, the company was reminded that after the creature comforts should come the "feast of reason," and the Chairman called upon the Secretary, Mr. Theodore H. Emmons, to read some extracts from the records of the Lodge at its first organization—fifty years since.

The speeches and sentiments were of an informal character. The first announced was "The Grand Chapter of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts." It was regretted that the Grand High Priest, Henry Chickering, could not have been present to respond in person, but in response to the invitation extended him he replied by letter, in which he gave the following sentiment: "St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter of Boston—The record of her first half century, whether we look at the quality of her work, her growth in numbers, or the character of the noble men who claim her as their parent in Capitular Masonry, is one of which the many will be proud. May the next half be in all respects equal to it. So mote it be."

A few very pleasing remarks were made by Charles Levi Woodbury, Deputy Grand Master of the Commonwealth.

His Honor Mayor Shurtleff was next called upon, and in response expressed his great pleasure and satisfaction at being present on this, the "golden wedding" of St. Paul's Chapter. It was a cardinal virtue of a Mason to be silent, and he would not weary the company with a long speech. He was pleased to see the wives, daughters, sisters and mothers of Masons present on this festive occasion. It was right that they should know somewhat of the workings of a system which took the gentlemen from home at times and kept them out until late at night. He believed in Masonry most emphatically, for it cultivated the cardinal virtues, and tended to make better men as fathers, husbands, brothers and members of society at large. He concluded by giving expression to a sentiment complimentary to the Chapter.

Alfred F. Chapman of St. Andrew's Chapter, Thos Winship of Melrose Chapter, and Wyzeman Marshall, a Past High Priest of St. Paul's Chapter, severally made interesting remarks.

Among the guests present were Rev. Wm. R. Alger, C. C. Dame, Colonel N. A. Thompson, W. H. L. Smith and others.

After the banquet the company passed a short time in dancing in the upper hall, to the pleasing strains of the Germanians.

The whole affair passed off in a most delightful manner.

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MASONIC OBSERVANCE.

The Yule Tide Season Remembered in Chelsea—Brilliant Exercises in Masonic Hall—Toast to Thomas.

12/26/1896.

The Masonic brethren in Chelsea observed the Yule Tide season in an appropriate manner. Perhaps the biggest celebration was held by the Royal Arch Chapter of the Shekinah. The chapter celebrated the eleventh annual "Christmas Greeting" in Masonic Hall from 9.30 to 12.30.

At the first named hour about 225 members of the chapter and invited guests assembled in the main hall, where there were musical solos by different members of the chapter. The exercises in this hall were brought to a close by the singing of an original hymn to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne," and dedicated to Companion Amasa G. Whitcomb, the originator of the "Christmas Greeting."

After this hymn had been sung the brethren adjourned to the banquet hall, where a lunch awaited the members. The tables were set in the form of a Latin cross, and were tastefully decorated with evergreen, holly and tricolored bunting. After the banquet remarks were made by Most Excellent High Priest Joseph C. Haskell, who delivered the address of welcome. The departed members of the year were then appropriately commemorated. Excellent Companion Samuel W. Richardson, formerly of Chelsea, but now connected with the United States Marine Hospital service, stationed at Cleveland, O., was present and delivered an address.

Rev. R. Perry Bush gave the proincipal address. He touched on his recent visit to the dedicatory exercises of the Masonic Temple at Buda-Pest, Hungary. Col. John H. Cunningham told of his visit to the Mother King Solomon Lodge of Jerusalem, which is situated in the quarries under the city of Jerusalem. An original humorous "poem" was read by Excellent Companion Edwin S. Crandon. Remarks were also made by Companions William Martin, Amasa G. Whitcomb and John Strahan.

Palestine Commandery, Knights Templars, at noon time joined their brethren all over the United States in giving the annual toast to Grand Master William La Rue Thomas.

A DAY OF DEGREE WORK.

Consecration of Royal Arch Chapters at South Framingham.

[Special Dispatch to the Boston Herald.]

SOUTH FRAMINGHAM, March 24, 1897. In Masonic Hall here, today, there was a consecration of chapters of the Royal Arch chapter of the district which is composed of Milford, Franklin, Natick, Newtonville, Foxboro and Framingham subordinate organizations. There were about 300 draftsmen present and the lodge of instruction had Most Excellent Grand High Priest Seramus Bowen present as a special guest.

The purpose of the ceremony was the exemplification of the four degrees, commencing at 2 o'clock, under the direction of Right Excellent Harry Hunt, grand lecturer. The mark master was assigned to Mt. Lebanon chapter of Milford, most excellent master by Keystone chapter of Foxboro, past master by Parke chapter of Natick, and the Royal Arch by Concord chapter of South Framingham.

At 6 o'clock a spread was furnished and at 10, at the close of the degree work, a banquet was served.

A NOTABLE ANNIVERSARY.

St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter to Celebrate.

The Oldest Chapter in Massachusetts Reaches Its 125th Birthday—Brief History of the Body—Some Prominent Names in Its Records—A Shining Light in Capitular Masonry.

The history of royal arch masonry, or capitular masonry, as it is more correctly called, in Massachusetts and the history of St. Andrew's royal arch chapter are contemporaneous. St. Andrew's was the first organized body to confer the royal arch degree in Massachusetts, and for many years was supposed to be the first in the country. This latter claim is not now acknowledged, for it is known that the royal arch degree was conferred for several years in Jerusalem chapter, Philadelphia, prior to the organization of St. Andrew's. The royal arch degree was formerly conferred in the blue lodges, this work being one of the distinctive marks which separated the rival grand lodges in England, known as the ancients and the moderns.

The ancient or York grand lodge gave to its subordinate lodge the right to confer the royal arch degree. In this practice it was followed by the grand lodges of Scotland and Ireland.

ALFRED F. CHAMPAN.

Chevalier Ramsey, a Scotch Mason, is credited with having originated the Royal Arch degree, and other degrees which are now included in the chapter work. He is said to have brought the work from France in 1740, when it was substantially adopted by the ancient, or York grand lodge of England. Chapters were established in Scotland in 1743. This work was changed and much modified by Thomas S. Webb, late in the last century.

The disputes between the ancients and moderns were continued in this country. In 1733 the grand lodge of England commissioned Henry Price of Boston as provincial grand master of New England, and the

FIRST LODGE IN AMERICA,

St. John's lodge, was established by him in Boston in the same year. The lodges and Masons so made were known as the moderns. Prior to 1756 there were several ancient Masons in Boston, and, being refused fellowship and admission by the moderns in that year, they applied to the grand lodge of Scotland for a charter, and a warrant was granted Nov. 13, 1756, for the establishment of St. Andrew's lodge. In the charter of the lodge there was no reference to the Royal Arch degree; in fact, the only authorization regarding degrees was to confer the three blue lodge degrees. Several of the members of the lodge received the Royal Arch degree from some source, supposed to have been from the Irish Masons in the British troops, then stationed in Boston. Oct. 29, 1762, a committee of five from St. Andrew's lodge wrote to the grand master of Scotland asking for a charter for holding a Royal Arch lodge.

In 1876, St. Andrew's lodge, represented by a committee, applied to the grand lodge of Scotland for authority to open a grand lodge, and for the appointment of grand master. This request was granted, and the following year the commission was received under date of May 30, 1769. Joseph Warren was appointed as grand master. It is supposed that this commission was received before the date of the first records of St. Andrew's chapter, early in August, and that the separation of the royal arch lodge from St. Andrew's lodge was authorized by Grand Master Warren, acting under that commission.

For a long time it was believed that Aug. 28, was the date of the establishment of the royal arch lodge, it being recorded on that date that Bro. William Davis was "unanimously voted in and accordingly made by receiving the four steps, that of excellent, super-excellent, royal arch and Knight Templar." This, by the way, is the first record of the conferring of the

ORDER OF KNIGHTS TEMPLARS

in this country, which was given as a part of the royal arch, or as an honorary degree, until Dec. 19, 1794, after which date the record is silent in regard to it, in connection with chapter work.

Recent researches have brought to light the minutes of an earlier meeting. Aug. 18, 1769, it was voted that Samuel Sumner be made a royal arch Mason provided he would act as tyler.

It is supposed that the ritual used was obtained from the lodge 322, Registry of Ireland, connected with the 29th regiment, then stationed at Boston, and some of whose members are thought to have been familiar with the work. The ritual was not that of the ancient Masons of England, as that included only four degrees, the three of craft masonry and the Royal Arch.

At the first meeting of which records exist, Aug. 18, 1769, there were present 10 members, namely, James Brown, master; Charles Chambers, senior warden; Winthrop Gray, junior warden; Stephen

DR. SERANUS BOWEN,
High Priest of St. Andrew's Chapter.

Bruce, secretary; John Symmes, William McCain, John Worddington, Henry Green, William McMullen and Joshua Loring. These men soon associated with themselves others perhaps better known, and whose services in other fields have made their names dear to the whole country and to liberty-loving freemen wherever dispersed.

Paul Revere was admitted to the chapter Dec. 11, 1769, and became junior warden in 1770, in which position he aided to confer the degrees on Joseph Warren on May 14, 1770.

The connection of Joseph Warren with the chapter was very brief, though he remained a member and was present at some of its meetings until his death. The agitation of the times, and the prominent part he took therein rendered it impossible for him to give much time to Masonry. The record says that the degrees were conferred upon him "gratis," probably on account of his position as provincial grand master. It was probable that the authority for holding the Royal Arch lodge was derived from him under his Scotch warrant, for it is recorded June 21, 1770, that he was present and "gave his opinion for holding the Royal Arch lodge till instructions from Scotland or otherwise, as he shall think fit, and if directions from thence, he will then grant a charter therefor. He was again present in September, as appears by the records, and in 1773, he is also recorded as being present at a meeting.

Joseph Webb, another name prominent in the history of the times, and who afterward became grand master, was made a Royal Arch Mason Oct. 10, 1769.

Thus three Masons who served their brethren in the exalted position of grand master were early connected with the

HIGH CHARACTER OF THE MEMBERSHIP

for ability and prominence has ever been sustained.

Joshua Loring succeeded to the office history of St. Andrew's chapter, and the of secretary April 17, 1770, and was followed by Jeremiah Webb, Jan. 31, 1771.

The meetings of the royal arch lodge were regularly continued until March 26, 1773, after which there is no further record until March 20, 1789. Judge Gardner, in his historical sketch of St. Andrew's chapter, delivered at the celebration of the 100th anniversary in 1869, seems to have regarded this fact as proof that the meetings of the lodge were entirely discontinued. On the contrary, the late Companion Chapman, in his monograph on the subject, regards it as highly probable that the meetings were continued. The nature of the record made at the latter date does not indicate that there had been any break in the proceedings, and it appears to be as full and formal as any that had preceded it. The times were disturbed, and it appears most probable that work was continued between the two dates as convenience suggested, and that the records, having been kept on detached slips of paper, were lost. There are many things pointing to this as the correct view.

This meeting of March, 1789, was held in Mason's Hall, at the Green Dragon Tavern in Union street, as all the previous meetings had been. The chapter met in this hall until January, 1805, when it moved to Mason's Hall, Ann street, now North street. Here the chapter met until 1817, when the new quarters in the Exchange Coffee House were occupied. After the fire, which destroyed that hall, the chapter returned to Ann street. Later the meetings were held in the various buildings occupied by the grand lodge and the other Masonic bodies.

In 1789 there appears the name of Benjamin Hurd, Jr., upon the records for the first time. He was secretary of the royal arch lodge, afterward filling the office of scribe and high priest, holding that office for seven years. When the grand chapter of Massachusetts was formed in 1798 he became the first grand high priest, and occupied that office for four years. He was chosen chairman of the convention of committees, Oct. 27, 1797, and president of the convention of delegates Jan. 24, 1798, which resulted in forming what is now the general grand chapter of the United States, Jan. 26, 1798. Being on the latter day the oldest high priest, he installed the grand high priest elect. He was also much interested in Templar Masonry, and was one of the charter members of Boston encampment.

THE LACK OF A FORMAL CHARTER

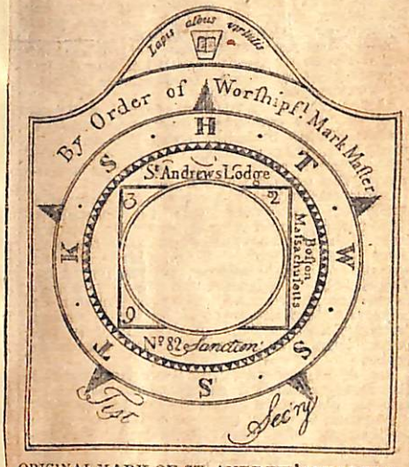
for the proceedings of the Royal Arch lodge was still felt very keenly, and it was voted by St. Andrew's lodge, Nov. 11, 1790, "That the Royal Arch lodge be indulged with the use of the charter of St. Andrew's lodge so long as the majority of the members of the Royal Arch lodge are members of St. Andrew's lodge." On the 25th of the same month the Royal Arch lodge returned thanks for this permission.

About the beginning of 1791 a plate for the notices was designed by Brother Hurd, and was used by St. Andrew's to notify the brethren of the meetings. This plate is still in the possession of the chapter, though much worn, and is the oldest plate in America, with the unmistakable Templar emblems engraved upon it.

Following the independence of the colonies, the brethren of St. Andrew's lodge became divided, and a new lodge was formed, known as Rising States lodge. The provision in regard to the use of the charter by a majority of St. Andrew's members in the Royal Arch lodge was probably designed to strengthen the blue lodge in its contention. A certificate of membership was adopted in September, 1791. This certificate contained the degree of Knight Templar as one of those regularly conferred in the Royal Arch lodge.

The first reference to the mark was made in 1792, and in 1793 it was voted to procure a plate for the mark emblems. The original mark plate, a copy of which is printed herewith, was ordered May 30, 1793, and was completed, and with impressions printed from it on parchment, was presented to the chapter Nov. 28, 1793.

The officers of the royal arch lodge were called royal arch master and senior and junior wardens until 1792, when they were changed to high priest and first and second king. The next year these were changed back again. In 1794, when there was a revival in the lodge, the



ORIGINAL MARK OF ST. ANDREW'S CHAPTER.

officers were again called high priest and first and second kings, the secretary being known as scribe.

The first allusion to

THE MARK DEGREE

was made July 25, 1793, when it appears that Stephen Howard was raised to mark master Mason Nov. 28, 1793. The lodge was opened on the "mark step," and it was voted that the degree of "mark master Mason be connected with the other degrees," and that the book purchased be specially appropriated to record the mark of each mark Mason.

In December, 1794, by conference with King Cyrus chapter of Newburyport, the work in both bodies was very much improved.

In 1794, also, the royal arch lodge was first called a chapter in the records, and is thereafter known by that name.

John Soley was admitted Dec. 31, 1794, and Henry Fowle was admitted Jan. 28, 1795. Soley was very prominent in Masonic affairs, especially in the grand lodge, and held several important offices, including that of grand master for three years. He was also recording grand secretary for 10 years. Fowle was senior grand warden of the grand lodge after serving in minor positions. He served St. Andrew's chapter as scribe, king and high priest, was deputy grand high priest of the grand chapter of Massachusetts from 1808 to 1814, and was grand king in 1815. He, with Hurd and others, was prominent in the formation of the general grand chapter in 1798, and was deputy general grand high priest in 1819. He was particularly interested in the templar masonry, and was a charter member of Boston encampment, and was its first grand master. He was also elected to high offices in the grand commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and in the grand encampment of the United States.

In 1797 it was voted to apply to the holy royal arch of England for a charter, but nothing appears to have resulted. It is probable that the formation of the grand chapter in 1798 prevented any further action, if any was contemplated.

In October, 1797, Thomas Smith Webb and John Hanmer of temple chapter, Albany, N. Y., visited St. Andrew's chapter, and from the visits then made resulted changes which influenced in a marked degree the future of the capit-

Marden, sentinel; David Cutter, musical director and organist.

After the installation the master called on several companions to make remarks, and among them M. I. Grand Master Jones, Grand Chaplain Dadmun, Past Grand Master Bowen, and Grand Recorder Chapman, all of whom extended congratulations to the new council, gave some good advice regarding the care of finances and the promotion of sociability at the meetings, and good wishes for future growth. The speakers were attentively listened to by the large assembly, among whom were members of Medford, Melrose, Boston, and Chelsea councils.

At the business meeting subsequently resolutions on the death of Professor G. W. Sawin, who was made a member at the last meeting of the council, were read and adopted.

The council closed, the company marched to the banquet hall, where one of Tufts' collations was served. The whole affair was one of considerable moment to Somerville, inaugurating, as it does, one of the best Masonic bodies formed in this vicinity.

Joseph W. Hill, the newly-installed master, was raised in United Brethren Lodge, of Marlboro, Mass., in 1864, where he was senior warden when he moved to Charlestown, and joined Faith Lodge, and was its master in 1875 and 1876. He belongs to Royal Arch Chapter of the Signet, Cœur de Lion Commandery, and has passed through all the principal offices, gaining fame for his skill in Masonic work. He is often called to install officers in the several bodies. For three years Mr. Hill was district deputy grand high priest for this Masonic district. He was formerly a member of Chelsea Council, but was demitted some time since. He is also a permanent member of the grand chapter and grand commandery. Although a resident of a district just over the line, he is very well-known to the people here, and will be an admirable successor to the worthy gentleman who has just left the position.

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Centennial Celebration.

Arrangements for the celebration of the centennial anniversary of the Grand Chapter of Masonry, to be held Feb. 2d at Albany, are fast progressing towards completion. A number of the most prominent Masons of the State are expected to be present, and it is intended to have Gov. Black respond to the toast, "The State of New York." A large delegation from Troy will attend the exercises connected with the centennial.

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A JEWELLED HIGH PRIEST.

Concord Chapter worked the Royal Arch degree Thursday evening and entertained quite a company of guests from neighboring towns. Fred M. Esty is now serving his second year as a High Priest of the chapter and his companions having come to the conclusion that it was time for him to be jewelled, took occasion to present him with an elegant P. H. P. jewel. The emblem was made from a special design prepared by engineer J. J. VanValkenburg, and was r very fine piece of work. After the exercises a collation was served.

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CAPITULAR MASONRY.

Ninety-Fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

Of the 72 subordinate chapters in the jurisdiction of Massachusetts nearly all were represented at the day and evening sessions of the grand royal arch chapter, held at Masonic Temple yesterday.

During the day the work and lectures of the capitular degrees were exemplified by a staff of officers made up from various subordinate chapters under the direction of Grand Lecturer Harry Hunt. About 300 members and officers of chapters were present during the day, much interest being felt in the beautiful and impressive rendering of the work.

Last evening the 94th annual convocation of the grand royal arch chapter was held at Egyptian Hall, Masonic Temple. The grand officers came in at 7 o'clock, and the grand chapter was opened in due form by Grand High Priest J. Albert Blake of Haverhill, after prayer by Grand Chaplain Charles A. Skinner of Somerville.

The committee on the petition for a new chapter in Dorchester reported through Past Grand High Priest Arthur G. Pollard, and was granted further time.

The fina ce committee, through Chairman A. L. Rich rdson, reported that the balance in the treasury at last report was $2387.12; receipts for year, $3398.52; expen itures, $3382.32; balance on hand, cash, $2202.52; securities and deposited, $8751.55; total funds, $10,954.33.

The committee on returns reported through Chairman Warren B. Ellis of Boston, and committee on by-laws through Chairman John Haigh. All the reports of committees were accepted and adopted.

On request of the chairman of the special committee on the petitions of the various chapters to hold part of their meetings in towns over which their jurisdiction extends, further time was granted.

The annual address of the grand high priest was read, and was a very interesting document. The address was referred to a special committee, consisting of Right Excellent A. G. Pollard of Lowell, John Haigh of Somerville, and Henry S. Bunton of Hyde Park. On report of this committee the address was accepted and its recommendations adopted.

The proposed amendments to the grand constitution were all defeated.

By request of Grand High Priest Blake, Right Excellent Arthur G. Pollard conducted the election officers. Grand High Priest Blake was unanimously re-elected to serve for the third year. The grand high priest-elect was escorted to the hall by a committee, with Right Excellent Thomas Waterman as chairman, and was duly installed into office by Right Excellent Companion Pollard, assisted by Right Excellent J. Gilman Waite as grand marshal.

The election was then proceeded with. The full list of officers elected is as follows: Grand high priest, J. Albert Blake of Haverhill; deputy grand high priest, Frank L. Weaver of Lowell; grand king, Thomas Kellough of East Boston; grand scribe, Charles T. Chase of Haverhill; grand treasurer, Richard Briggs of Boston; grand secretary, Seranus Bowen of Boston; trustees, Henry Endicott and Daniel W. Lawrence.

The following appointments were made by Grand High Priest Blake:

Deputy grand high priests—District No. 1, Warren B. Ellis of Boston; district 2, Robert K. Sears of Danvers; district 3, David W. Battles of Brockton; district 4, Forest E. Barker of Worcester; district 5, Henry E. Gaylord of South Hadley Falls; district 7, John A. Fogg of South Weymouth; district 8, George W. Storer of Arlington; district 9, James Downes of Natick; district 10, John F. Van Deusen of Pittsfield; grand chaplains, Rev. Charles A. Skinner of Somerville, Rev. P. N. Finch of Greenfield and Rev. George Walker of North Andover; grand captain of the host, Dr. W. P. Brechin of Boston; grand lecturers, Harry Hunt of Melrose and Horace N. Smith of Salem; grand principal sojourner, Albert K. Hebard of Cambridge; grand royal arch captain, Charles A. Peabody of Worcester; grand master third veil, Albion H. Libbey of Somerville; grand master second veil, Edward Coggins of Boston; grand master first veil, Artemus P. Hannum of Provincetown; grand stewards, George S. Littlefield of Winchester and Walter Adams of Framingham; grand tyler, William Donaldson of Roxbury.

The grand officers were installed by Right Excellent Companions Pollard and Waite, and the grand chapter was closed at 9:30 in due form.

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enotomy R. A. Chapter of Arlington Welcomes Its Friends at the Annual Installation.

To see the inside of a Masonic hall is the great desire of many people, and when an opportunity is presented, the "outside world" like to avail themselves of it. The fashion of having public installations is growing in favor, and nothing has advanced the cause of Masonry in late years as this feature. Menotomy R. A. Chapter of Arlington held one of these pleasant reunions last night at the Arlington Masonic apartments, and it was a pleasant assemblage that partook of its hospitality. After a private convocation had been held, the installing officer, Rt. Ex. George W. Storer, D. D. G. H. P., accompanied by Grand Lecturer Harry Hunt and Ex. Companions Charles H. Prentiss, George H. Rugg and Edward H. Cutter (the last three named of the local chapter), were welcomed by M. E. High Priest R. Walter Hilliard in a cordial address.

The officers were then installed as follows: M. E. High Priest, R. Walter Hilliard; Excellent King, Henry A. Kidder; Excellent Scribe, Winfield S. Durgin; Treasurer, ex-Comp. Geo. W. Storer; Secretary, Ex. Comp. Jos. W. Whitaker; Captain of the Host, Chas. W. Bunker; Principal Sojourner, Geo. Walter Sampson; R. A. Captain, J. Lincoln Collins; Master of Third Veil, Theo. F. Allen; Master of Second Veil, Chas. S. Cutter; Master of First Veil, Geo. L. Forristall; Chaplain, Geo. H. Rugg; Organist, Geo. H. Thayer; Tyler, Jas. Thaxter.

Ex. Comp. Storer [redacted] presented [redacted] a Past High Priest's jewel for his valuable services to ~~the chapter~~. R. W. R. Hilliard

The Boston Ideal Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar Club gave a most enjoyable entertainment. Refreshments of a substantial character were served and all too soon came the time to depart, as many were obliged to take the train for the city. Among those present were Rt. Ex. J. Albert Blake, Grand High Priest; Rt. Ex. S. Bowen, Grand Secretary; High Priest Hibbard and Ex. Comp. Lafayette G. Blair of Cambridge Chapter; Rt. Ex. J. Gilman Wait and Ex. Comp. C. H. Willey of Somerville Chapter.

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THE CONVENTION OF CHAPTERS.

One of the most brilliant gatherings of Royal Arch Masons ever held in this city occurred on last Friday and Saturday evenings in the Chapter rooms of the Temple. Seldom have so many of our prominent and distinguished companions been seen together outside of the annual meeting of the Grand Chapter. All the workers were there. The convention and its objec were a grand and a complete success. The objec was twofold—to gather together the companions of this city and Brooklyn, but primarily and above all to have the several degrees exemplified by the Grand Lecturer, R. E. Comp. George McGown, and this was done by that faithful and efficient teacher with a grace and good feeling seldom equalled.

We have many good ritualists among us, but as has been truthfully said, that many people may have learned much, but few can impart their knowledge. R. E. Comp. McGown has a peculiar gift, a "knack" of imparting the work, and is so careful about it all that even his criticism does not offend. Much of the success of this convention is also due to the energetic and masterly management of the Deputy Grand High Priest, M. E. Comp. W. J. McDonald, who arranged all the details, and thus brought about a most important as well as pleasant and interesting meeting of our companions.

The Mark Degree.

On Friday evening the opening in full form, and the exemplification of the Mark degree was in charge of the officers of Manhattan Chapter, No. 184, with M. E. Comp. Wm. H. Smith the High Priest in the East, E. Comp. O. A. E. Merritt, King; Hiram A. Woodruff, Scribe; Curtis Betts, C. of H.; Dr. Willard P. Worster, P. S, and R. O. Stebbins, R. A. C.

The work, the details and everything showed the master's hand, and again proved that "genial Billy Smith" is a workman that need not be ashamed. With the single exception of a little nervousness on the part of the minor officers, everything moved in perfect harmony, and while the critics were on hand in full force with their eyes wide open and their ears buttoned back, there was very little to criticise, and only here and there the Grand Lecturer would suggest a change in some trifling position or cut some superfluous word. At the completion of the degree, M. E. Comp. Smith received the congratulations of all present, as did also his C. of H., Comp. Curtis Betts, and the other officers of Manhattan Chapter.

The Most Excellent Degree.

Hardly had Manhattan Chapter vacated the chair when R. E. Comp. James Cornelius assumed the control of the convention, and opened a Lodge of Most Excellent Masters, with John T. Palmer in the West, J. W. Palmer as Marshal, W. S. Weed as S. D. and Geo. Buehler as J. D.

We have often heard of the splendid work of Orient Chapter, especially in this degree, and had here a chance to see and hear. This beautiful degree in the hands of these efficient and well-trained workmen was rendered with all the impressiveness the solemn ceremonies are capable of. It is no wonder R. E. Comp. Cornelius is proud of his chapter. He and his officers showed that they all have just cause to be proud; and they, too, were highly complimented on their excellent standard of work.

This brought the work of the first evening to a close, and the companions parted for the night to meet again the following evening.

The Royal Arch.

On Saturday evening a still greater number of companions assembled to hear Union Chapter confer the Royal Arch, and this chapter fully sustained the proud reputation it has among the the members of Union Chapter. The "cast" was as follows: M. E. Comp. Chas. Baldwin, High Priest; Fred. Jenks, King; Wm. Brown, Scribe; John White, C. of H; Robert G. Preston, P. S.; James Singleton, R. A. C.; John H. Getty, August Winters and James Montgomery, Masters of the Vails. Here again the assembled critics were highly pleased at their entire lack of occupation, for there was nothing for them to do, no hing to criticise. The Grand Lecturer was also pleased with the work, and only made a few remarks about some of the details in the working of this very intricate degree. While all the officers of Union Chapter have done well, we cannot refrain from making special mention of the Principal Sojourner, Comp. Preston, who, although a young Royal Arch Mason, has already acquired good practice in the performance of his part. Comp. White, the C. of H., also has his work well in hand.

More than one hundred and fifty Royal Arch Masons were present to witness the work on each evening, and thirty-nine chapters were represented. In numbers, in work, in representations and in the presence of representative men, this convention was indeed a complete and grand success.

By the forethought of M. E. Companion McDonald, and through the voluntary contributions of some of the leading chapters, a sumptous banquet was ready upstairs, to which, after closing, the companions repaired and where they enjoyed the social feature of the convention. Several toasts and replies thereto were made, but one can only now remember some of the most prominent and salient. To the Grand Lodge "as our Mother." M. E. Companion Sherer, Deputy Grand Master of the State, replied. He said, among other things, "that it is true the Lodge is our Mother, but we have also a mother-in-law in the Chapter, and unlike most mothers-in-law, this one is well beloved by all who once enter i s charming circles." In regard to the work of this convention the distinguished companion said he was pleased with it; he was among the first, who, as Grand Lecturer, disseminated the new ritual, and it pleased him to see that the seed he had then sown, under the careful nursing of his successors, has brought forth and borne good fruit.

To the "Grand Chapter" M. E. Companion Wm. J. McDonald made a happy and felici ous reply He said that "Capitular Masonry is like vaccination. If it takes, it strikes in. It is never forgotten, and the marks of it sticks to the man through life. Like the Mohammedan, whose great aim and soulful desire is to see Mecca, and stand within the sacred walls of the Mosque, all Royal Arch Masons have their longing eyes turned toward the Grand Chapter meeting in Albany, and no one who ever entered this charmed circle will willingly forego the pleasure of meeting with his companions."

"Our Sister City" was answered by R. E. Comp. James Cornelius, who thanked the companions for the attention and honor paid him and his chapter, and while Brooklyn, said the commpanion, "was the smaller of the two cities, it has done, and is doing, good work in Masonry. Let any one cross the big bridge and see for himself, especially if they chance to drop in upon Orient Chapter."

R. S. Companions Wm. F. Livermore, Dr. Willard P. Worster, and others, also addressed the companions.

R. E. Companion Loewenstein when called upon, said "that the work exhibited this evening showed the result of the hard work done by the ardent and earnest companions in this city and Brooklyn; but more then this is required from us. Are we leaving our mark upon our work? Are we doing all that can be done for the good, for the benefit of Royal Arch Masonry? Many things could be done in this direction." The speaker called attention to the oft-repeated tale that "the chapter is too of en used merely as a stepping-stone, and much of this is our own fault. We should not hold our beautiful degrees too cheap. Let the candidate wait and not rush them through, as is now too of en done. In former years the lodge could confer the them degrees in one night, and on as many as presented themselves. When the law was changed it worked beneficially in the lodge, and it would be beneficial also to the chapter. Let our Grand Chapter pass a law to have at least one calendar month elapse between the receiving of the Mark degree and the Royal Arch. Make it also obligatory to have at least some show of proficiency exhibited by the candidates. Let us enhance the value of Capitular Masonry and not hold it too cheaply ourselves by making it too easily obtainable." Another plan was enunciated by Companion Loewenstein, and that was the idea of forming an Association composed of Anointed High Priests. This would cement the friendships formed in that high and exalted office, and would result in many benefits to the Royal Craft.

It would be invidious to make mention of those who were present, or of the many good things that were said. Suffice it to say, that everybody was highly pleased. The result of all these gatherings is always beneficial, and this convention will be remembered by all who had the good fortune to be present. There were too many present to have their names recorded here. Many of the elders were on hand, as well as the newer and younger companions. The stalwart old John B. Harris, with the energetic young Nicholson, of Brooklyn, Ringer, Maxfield, Barber, Colby, Davis, Ketterer, Storer, Spencer, Hall, and hosts of others, all well and favorably known among us.

R. A. M.—Empire Chapter, No. 170, had another of their well-attended convocations on November 28th. The day being a general holiday (Thanksgiving day) helped to augment the attractions of the evening. M. E. Comp. Edgar M. Ayres and Comp. Van Buskirk, of Triune, helped to make the occasion memorable. The chapter closed its labors in good time, and all present adjourned to mine host of the Chimney Corner, where an enjoyable hour was spent in social and fraternal intercourse. Every one present appeared well-pleased and satisfied, and are now patiently waiting to have time pass by to bring them together again. The next regular convocation will take place on Thursday, 12th inst. Work, M. M. degree. Several candidates are ready to be advanced, and all companions are fraternally invited to attend. A brotherly welcome awaits all.

Empire Chapter, No. 170, R. A. M.—This prosperous and leading chapter, of this city, will hold its regular convocation on next Thursday, when the Mark degree will be conferred by M. E. Comp. Wm. H. Smith, the accomplished High Priest of Manhattan Chapter, who has so conspicuously distinguished himself at the late convention of Royal Arch Masons, by working the Mark degree, there will be several candidates, among them being the son of a distinguished craftsman, and prominent member of Empire Chapter. Visitors are always well taken care of in this hospitable chapter.

Triune Chapter, No. 241.—Friday evening, Dec. 13, will be the annual convocation and election of officers for the ensuing chapter year. Harmony prevails within its borders, and a successful two years has been the result of the administration of M. Comp. Robert P. Lyon.

Sylvan Chapter, No, 188., R. A. M.—A regular convocation of this chapter will be held at their rooms, corner of 130th street and Third avenue, on Monday, Dec. 9th, at 8 o'clock, P. M.

Mount Zion Chapter —The companions of Mount Zion Chapter, No. 231, R. A. M., have been summoned to meet on Friday next in order to elect officers for the ensuing year.

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A member of the Masonic order telegraphed to a companion at a distance in a small town, "Make room for ten Royal Arch Masons—coming to-day." When the companions arrived, they found that a pen had been built for their accommodation, the telegram at its destination reading, "Make room for ten R. A. M's —coming to-day."

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ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Centennial Anniversary Celebration of King Cyrus Chapter.

Appropriate Exercises at Masonic Hall—Annual Visitation of the R. E. D. D. G. H. P.—Historical Address by Rev. Com. O. A. Roberts—A Feast at Veteran Hall—Speeches and Music.

One hundred years, a good old age!

The Centennial celebration of King Cyrus Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, occurred Thursday evening, and was a grand success. This chapter is the second oldest in this state; the chapter ante-dating it being St. Andrew's chapter of Boston, organized on the 28th of August, 1769. King Cyrus has a membership of nearly one hundred and numbered among them are men of high standing and the more prominent citizens of old Newburyport.

At 5.45 o'clock in the afternoon a regular convocation of the chapter was held at Masonic hall, the lodge room being well filled by companions of the local body and many invited guests from other places. At 7 o'clock the ladies were escorted to the hall and R. E. Alonzo H. Smith, District Deputy Grand High Priest of the Second Capitular District, was received in proper form, this being made the occasion of his annual visitation. The Orpheus Brass Quartette, under the direction of Theron D. Perkins, was in attendance and opened the evening's exercises, which were as follows:

Hymn.....Ernst
Orpheus Quartet.
Prayer.....
Rev. Companion Brevard D. Sinclair.
Response, "Die Capelle".....Kreutzer
Orpheus Quartet.
Historical Address.....
Rev. Companion Oliver A. Roberts.
Finale, "Devotion in the Forest,".....Abt
Orpheus Quartet.

Mr. Roberts' address was listened to with great interest and was a masterly work. It embraced the history of the chapter during the century, including a description of the halls occupied; names of its members; sketches of those most prominent, and a great many men and facts, which was greatly appreciated by those present. At the conclusion of Rev. Mr. Roberts' address the companions were invited to Veteran hall where an excellent banquet was spread, the wives and lady friends joining in this part of the program The banquet was served by William I. Austin, caterer, and was a sumptuous feast including the most favorite dishes known to the art. It was a credit to the caterer and greatly relished by the masons and their guests. After the discussion of the viands M. E. High Priest Alfred Pearson called the company to order and introduced as the first speaker R. E. D. D. G. H. P. Alonzo H. Smith of Salem who spoke interestingly and congratulated the chapter on its prosperity. He was followed by Excellent Com. Charles C. Dame, E.C., E P. Dodge and M. E H. P. David S. Davoll of Trinity chapter of Amesbury. Next followed a select program, the following artists taking part: Miss Edith Estelle Torrey, soprano; Miss Mae Hussey, elocutionist; Mr. Charles L'Orage, violinist; Mr. George H. Howard, accompanist. The Orpheus Quartette: Theron D. Perkins, 1st cornet and director; James Roche, 2d cornet; Luis Doten, 1st alto; John Park, euphoneum. The program is as follows:

Concerto in D.....De Beriot
Mr. L'Orage.
Recitation, "Convent Child"..Adelaide Proctor
Miss Hussey.
Song, "Open Thy Blue Eyes".....Massenet
Miss Torry.
Violin, "Playful Rockets".....Reising
Mr. L'Orage.
Recitation, "Tit for Tat".....
Miss Hussey.
Selection.....Kreutzer
Orpheus Quartette.

The several numbers were very creditably performed and heartily encored.

The whole affair was admirably arranged and carried out and the centennial celebration of King Cyrus chapter will go into history as one of the most enjoyable events in Masonic circles in the year of 1890.

The present officers of the chapter are: Alfred Pearson, M. E. H. P.; Lawrence B. Cushing, excellent king; George H. Pearson, scribe; Albert Currier, treasurer; Samuel Brookings, secretary; George H. Peckham, C. of H.; J. Willard Ballou, P. S.; Orrin J. Gurney, R. A. C; Master of Veils, 1st, C. L. Perkins, 2d, J. E. McCusker, 3d, T. J. Hunter; H. B. Frask, S. S.; E. M. Waitt, J. S.; Frank H. Rundlett, tyler.

N. Daily News, Oct 10, 1890.

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At a late hour the company broke up and returned to their homes, more than pleased with the celebration of their first centennial.

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E. K—Lawrence B. Cushing.
E. S.—Benjamin F. Bartlett.
Treasurer—Albert Currier.
Secretary—Samuel Brookings, Jr,
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P. S.—J. Willard Ballou.
R. A. C.—Orrin J. Gurney.
Masters of veils—C. L. Perkius, 1st; J. E. McCusker, 2d; T. J. Hunter, 3rd.
S. S.—H. B. Trask.
J. S.—E. M. Waitt.
Tyler—Frank H. Rundlett.

KING CYRUS CHAPTER.

A Century of Good Work by the Level and Square.

King Cyrus Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was organized in 1790 and was the second chapter formed in the State, the first being St. Andrews of Boston and the third formed was Temple of Albany, N. Y.

In 1797, March 13, these three chapters formed the General Grand Lodge of the United States. In 1798 the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was formed and Jonathan Gage and Gilman White of King Cyrus Chapter were delegates, Mr. Gage being at that time the high priest of King Cyrus Chapter and the oldest in the State installed the grand officers.

~~Beverly A. King~~ of this city was the first grand king. There were no great interests taken in regard to forming chapters, Washington Chapter of Salem being formed in 1811 and no other sprang into existence for some years, but the seed planted in Newburyport and Boston took root and blossomed forth like the rose, until today there are 71 chapters in Massachusetts alone.

Newburyport has always been foremost in Masonic work and four of her prominent citizens have held offices of trust and responsibility in the Grand Lodge of the State. William R. Johnson is past deputy grand high priest; Charles C. Dame, past great king; Moses A. Fowler and John N. Pike, past grand scribes.

King Cyrus Chapter has always been loyal to the cause, and in its ranks have been and are today the heavy men of our city. It held its first meetings in a dwelling house on Green street, where on meeting night about 20 of the faithful would gather and talk over the mysteries of the craft.

Many a timid boy with the thoughts of the terrible deeds said to be enacted in their Masonic meetings would shy by the old house as if it had been haunted by the spirits of evil ones. Today the charter has 120 active members and holds its convocations in the beautiful St. John's Lodge rooms on State street.

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NEWBURYPORT MASONS.

King Cyrus Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Observes Its Centennial.

Special Dispatch to The Boston Journal.

NEWBURYPORT, Mass., Oct. 9. King Cyrus Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, observed the centennial of its organization at Masonic Hall this evening. The installations of the High Priest, King and Scribe occurred in the earlier part of the evening, and the annual visitation of District Deputy Grand High Priest Alonzo H. Smith and examination of the records for the past year. At 7 o'clock the public exercises were held. There was music by the Orpheus Brass Quartette of Boston, Theron D. Perkins director, assisted by several talented vocalists. The historical address by Rev. Comp. Oliver A. Roberts was very complete and thorough in its details and of the utmost interest and value in its biographical history of the chapter. The exercises were attended by a large number of resident Royal Arch Masons and their friends, also large delegations from the chapters in Amesbury, Haverhill, Salem, Portsmouth and other places, as well as by prominent members of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts. After concluding the literary exercises, the chapter with its invited guests attended a banquet at Veteran Hall, where speaking was indulged in and several hours were passed in social intercourse and reviewing the years which have passed. King Cyrus Chapter is very flourishing, and its new century of life with Alfred Pearson, High Priest, Lawrence B. Cushing, King, and Benjamin F. Bartlett, Scribe, begins with the most cheering and encouraging prospects for a future of usefulness and activity.

Newburyport News, April 11, 1890.

ROYAL AND SELECT.

New Lodge of Masons Instituted at Amesbury.

The New Officers and Charter Members.

Some Who Witnessed the Interesting Ceremony.

AMESBURY, April 11.—About 125 persons gathered at Masonic Hall last evening to witness and assist in the constitution, dedication and public installation of the officers of Amesbury Council of Royal and Select Masters, by the Grand Council of Massachusetts, Daniel W. Jones of Boston, most illustrious grand master, and suite being present. The other grand officers were Past Illustrious Alfred F. Chapman of Boston, grand secretary; Rev. John W. Dadman of Boston, grand chaplain; Right Illustrious John P. Peabody, captain of guard, and Grand Master of Ceremonies J. Ridgeway of Boston.

Music was furnished for the occasion by a quartette composed of Rev. A. C. White, Jewell Boyd, Mrs. A. C. Arthur and Miss Susie Carr, with Miss Edith Merrill as organist. The constitution of the council was first in order followed by the installation of officers, the officers being:

Thrice illustrious master—M. Perry Sargent.
Deputy master—Morton B. Merrill.
Principal conductor of the work—Henry B. Curtis.
Treasurer—George A. Perry.
Recorder—John F. Johnson.
Master of ceremonies—Charles H. Palmer, Jr.
Chaplain—Rev. Howard F. Hill.
Captain of guard—William F. Ward.
Conductor—William R. Johnson.
Steward—Nelson W. Hoyt.
Sentinel—Thomas Morrill.

The ceremonies of constituting the lodge and of installation of officers were very impressive and interesting. The petitioners for a charter and consequently the charter members were as follows:

M. Perry Sargent,	Morton B. Merrill,
Henry P. Curtis,	Charles H. Palmer,
John F. Johnson,	Samuel Rowell,
Homer B. Craine,	George B. Patten,
John C. Risteen,	William R. Johnson,
William F. Ward,	George A. Perry,
William F. Cook,	Rudolph Jacoby,
Horace G. Hudson,	William H. Welch,
Thomas Morrill,	Leonard W. Sargent,
William W. Hawkes,	William B. Ingalls,
Howard F. Hill,	C. Wallace Dame.

After the business of the evening was ended the party was invited to form a line and march to the banquet room where a collation consisting of ice cream, cake, fruit and hot coffee was served, followed by remarks from the grand officers and others who explained the principles of the order and the good it is doing and has already done.

Among those present besides those named above and their ladies were:

Mr. Tuck and wife and Warren Brown and wife of Exeter, E. W. Hotchkiss of Newark, N. J., Judge Cate, Chairman of Selectmen A. M. Huntington, wife and daughter, Dr. J. A. Douglas, wife and daughter, Dr. J. E. Blake, George E. Gale and wife, Rev. D. W. Davis and wife, Professor George Williamson, A. F. Greenleaf and wife, Emmons H. Babb and wife, E. M. C. French and Mrs. D. W. French, C. F. Tibbetts and wife, Miss Edith Curtis, Miss Annie True, Miss Bagley, Mrs. E. L. Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wilson.

The festivities were kept up until near midnight, when the party broke up and separated for their several homes. The stated assemblies of the council are held the third Tuesdays in September, October, December, January, February and March, at Masonic Hall, Union Block.

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FREE MASONS.

Annual Visitation and Banquet Last Evening.

Last evening occurred the annual visitation of the Boston Council to the Amesbury Council R. and S. M. The Boston Council was composed of Wm. B. Lawrence, M. I. M. of G. C; Dr. W. Bockford, P. C. N; Agustine Bidgruary, G M, of C. A. A; Byron Reed, D. of M. A. of Boston. This was not only the annual visitation and banquet, but it was also given as a farewell banquet to Rev. Companion Howard F. Hill D D. During the evening the working of the royal degree was exemplified, after which a most excellent banquet was served by Frank Morrill, with one of his hot turkey suppers and fixings for which he is famous. After doing justice to the spread, speechmaking was indulged by members including, Bro. Lawrence, Bro Bickford, Bro. Redgruary, Bro. Reed of Boston, Bro. Leslie of Amesbury, Judge Sargent of Merrimac, Eugune Waton of the Warren Lodge, W. W. Hawkes of Amesbury, J. F. Johnson of Amesbury and the Rev. Howard Hill who made one of his fine and eloquent speeches which was by far the best one he has ever made before the masons. Everybody expressed themselves in a fine manner, and after completely clearing the tables of eatables, they left for their several homes,

NOTABLE MASONIC EVENT.

Centennial of Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts to Be Fitingly Observed.

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Elaborate plans have been formulated for the observance of the centennial of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, under the direction of the committee, consisting of Past Grand High Priest J. Albert Blake, Grand Secretary J. Gilman Waite, Past Grand High Priest Arthur G. Pollard, Grand Treasurer Eugene A. Holton and Grand High Priest Warren B. Ellis.

The exercises will be held in the new Masonic Temple, and will open at 2 P. M., with a reception to the invited guests, including representatives from various grand chapters and prominent capitular Masons from all parts of the country.

The formal programme will include an address of welcome by Past Grand High Priest Thomas Waterman, Boston; the singing of an ode written for the occasion by Commander Fred C. Fairbanks of Brookline; an original poem by the Rev. R. Perry Bush of Chelsea; an historical address by Grand High Priest Ellis, and an address by the Hon. Josiah H. Drummond of Portland, Me., the oldest living past general grand high priest of the general grand chapter of the United States. A double quartet, under the direction of Howard M. Dow, will furnish music in the afternoon. At 6 o'clock a banquet will be served to the invited guests, grand officers and such capitular Masons as wish to be present. There will be speaking by prominent Masons and music under the direction of T. M. Carter.

The grand chapter of Massachusetts is one of the oldest in the country, sharing the honors with the grand chapters of Pennsylvania and Maryland, for which bodies claims of precedence are made. The centennial anniversary of the grand chapter occurred last year, but for various reasons the formal observance has been delayed until now, when it is proposed to make the event a notable one in capitular annals. The grand high priests and prominent members of the rite in several jurisdictions have accepted invitations to be present, and the occasion will undoubtedly bring together a notable assembly of Masons.

THE ROYAL ARCH.

St. Paul's Chapter Celebrates Its 75th Anniversary.

Brilliant Reception at Mechanics' Hall Last Evening.

Historic Address by M. Ex-Comp. S. F. Hubbard.

A Notable Gathering of Companions and Their Ladies.

Mechanics' Hall in this city was brilliant Thursday evening; to it being attracted by invitations extended by St. Paul's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, a large and notable gathering of companions and their ladies. Among the first were many prominent in the Capitular Masonry, while of the latter there were none more fair or less attractive in the land. Each lady appeared at her best, the occasion being one at which full dress was the rule.

St. Paul's Chapter, with a membership (all life) of nearly 800 companions, is next to the largest chapter of R. A. Masons, not only in this country, but in the world. It is also to be classed among the wealthiest Masonic bodies existing. The chapter was therefore abundantly able to make, as it did, the reception last evening a complimentary occasion in fact as well as in name. All who were fortunate in being present were there as honored guests of the body. To each member of the chapter was issued an invitation for himself and lady, while suitable and equitable provisions were made for the admission of extra ladies.

M.·.E.·. GEORGE E. SAVORY, H.·.P.·.,
Of St. Paul's R.·.A.·. Chapter.

Among the more prominent of the members present were: M.·.E.·. Comp.·. George E. Savory, H.·. P.·.; ex-Companions John H. Bowker, K.·.; John H. Woodman, S.·.; George A. King, C.·.H.·.; Edwin H. Allen, M. D., P.·.S.·.; Charles S. Damrell, R.·.A.·.C.·.; Henry G. Fay, Treasurer; Theo. H. Emmons, Secretary; Charles J. Miller, Chaplain; Miner L. H. Leavitt, Joseph Hubbard, and Edward P. Upham, Masters of V's.·.; Edwin C. Wheelock, S.·. S.·.; John E. Conner, F.·. S.·.; William H. Gerrish, Organist, and J. Fred. Sampson, Tyler.

The special guests of the charter present, most of them being accompanied by their ladies, were: M.·.E.·. J. Gilman Waite, Grand H.·.P.·. of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts; R.·.E.·. Companions James Downs, Deputy Grand H.·.P.·.; Forrest E. Barker, Gr.·.K.·.; David W. Battles, Gr.·.S.·.; Seranus Bowen, M. D., Gr.·. Sec.·., and the presiding H.·.P.·. of St. Andrews, the Mother Chapter; Warren B. Ellis, D.·.D.·.Gr.·.H.·.P. of District No. 1; William P. Breechin, Gr.·.C. of the H.·.; Harry Hunt and Arthur T. Way, Gr.·. Lecturers; R. Walter Hilliard, R.·.A.·.Capt.; William Donaldson, G.·.T.·.; M.·.E.·. Companions Smith B. Harrington and Thomas Waterman; Past Gr.·.H.·.P's.·. and R.·.E.·. Companions Albert L. Richardson; Past Gr.·. S.·. and Eugene A. Holton, Past Gr.·.H.·.P.·., all of the Grand R.·.A.·. Chapter of Massachusetts; E. Comp.·. William B. Lawrence, Past H.·.P.·. of Mystic Chapter of Medford; Comp.·. Albert T. Whiting of St. Andrews Chapter and Bros. William H. Lee and Robert E. Clar-.

There were also present R.·.E.·. Companions James A. Fox, George R. Marble, E. Bentley Young, J. Francis Lotts, Frederick H. Spring, and Samuel F. Hubbard, Past H.·.P.·.'s of St. Paul's Chapter, Frederick D. Ely, Past H.·.P.·.'s of Hebron Chapter, Richard Hubbard, Past H.·.P.·. of Monotomy Chapter of Arlington; Emt.·.Sir Chas. L. Litchfield, Comdr.·. of Boston Commandery of Knights Templars; F. F. Preble, Past Comdr.·. of Hugh de Payens Commandry K. T., and Chas. E. Pierce, Past Commander of St. Omer Commandery K. T.; R.·.W.·. Henry G. Fay, Past Gr.·. Warden of the Grand Lodge; W.·. L. M. Crane, P.·.M.·. of Beth Horan Lodge; W.·. Darius F. Eddy, P.·. M.·., of Union Lodge; W.·. James F. Neill, P.·. M.·., of Massachusetts Lodge; W.·. Otis E. Neal, P.·. M.·., of Joseph Warren Lodge; W.·. Charles R. Folsom, P.·. M.·., of Satuit Lodge; W.·. Jacob Ehrlich, P.·. M.·., of Germania Lodge; W.·. Marcus Tishler, W.·. M.·., of Joseph Webb Lodge; Augustus Ridgeway, P.·. M.·., of Boston Council, R. and S.M.·.sters, and Comp.·. John H. Cottamore, an honorary member of St. Paul's Chapter. In the latter's honor the Grand March composed by Bro. John H. Woods and played for the first time on this occasion was dedicated.

The reception and promenade concert was announced on the neat order of exercises to occur from 7.30 to 8.15 o'clock P. M. Previous to and, in fact, long after those hours, guests continually arrived, entering the spacious building at the main entrance on Huntington Avenue. Within the doors they were met by the corps of ushers, composed of Comp.·. Samuel Hosea, Jr., Charles W. Holtzer, Albro A. Osgood, Octavius Cate, John F. Neill, Francis E. Page, Amos R. Storer, Beverly S. Moulton, Henry P. Emerson, Cyrus P. Austin and Joel C. Bolan. They were designated by a handsome blue ribbon badge, and in the execution of their duties extended all needed attention and courtesies. Wraps were quickly doffed and taken in charge by competent and willing hands.

The happy ladies in charming toilets, and their proud escorts, many of whom were decorated with elegant and valuable official jewels of gold, often sparkling with precious stones, were conducted to the large audience hall, where they were welcomed by members of the Reception Committee, wearing white badges, consisting of M.·. E.·. Comp.·. E. Bentley Young (Chairman), M.·. E.·. Comp.·. J. Francis Lotts, M.·. E.·. Comp.·. Samuel F. Hubbard and Companions Alfred T. Turner, William White, John S. Damrell, Sidney A. Stetson, Marcus Tishler and William H. Thomes, and participated in the promenade, conversed with friends or otherwise exercised their own sweet will. Comp.·. Thomas M. Carter led a trained orchestra of 25 pieces, furnishing music both for the promenade and later for the dance.

The hall was brilliantly lighted by electricity and decorations of bunting, laurel, potted plants, ferns, flowers and pine trees were everywhere roundabout. Overhead streamers prevailed. The stage was lined with tall pines, and in front were tropical plants, mounds of flowers and garlands of laurel. For a background the organ was handsomely draped and decorated with bunting. On its front were displayed the words, "St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter, 75th Anniversary, 1819—1894," and "We greet you all."

The balconies were draped to the floor with bunting and festooned with laurel, and on the floor at intervals around the hall were planted tall pines. In front of the balcony opposite the stage was a reproduction of the "Royal Arch."

The effect of these decorations on entering the reception room was superb and impared to the beholder a decidedly cheerful, enlivening and summery feeling which pervaded every moment of the evening.

The reception of the officers of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts and other special guests, took place at 8.15. At this time the audience was mostly seated, either in the seats arranged around the hall, leaving the floor open and free, or in the balcony or on the stage.

M.·. E.·. Comp.·. J. Gilman Waite, Gr.·. H.·. P.·. accompanied by the Grand Officers and other guests, as aforenamed, were received upon entrance in a short speech of welcome by the presiding officer, M.·. E.·. Comp.·. George E. Savory, H. P. of St. Paul's Chapter. M.·. E.·. Comp.·. Waite responded and he and his suite were then conducted to seats on the stage, bearing the Greek motto and "1819-1894;" also the salutation "Welcome." The galleries were hidden behind the display of bunting. The Stars and Stripes everywhere predominated.

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At the conclusion of the address the floor was placed in charge of Companion Ahrend C. J. Pope as Floor Director, assisted by Companions William J. Scott, John Russell, Edwin R. Smyth, William A. Brownlow, Edward H. Studley, Eugene C. Upton, Walter U. Lewisson, Charles T. Dukelow, Moses C. Plummer, J. Otis McFadden, Geo. J. Quinsler and Harry F. Adams as aids, and dancing was indulged in until the grand march to the banquet, which took place at 10 o'clock.

The banquet was a specially nice affair, prepared by Companion H. J. Seiler, and was deftly served. The banquet hall was handsomely draped with bunting, and the tables, in addition to the viands thereon, were tastily adorned with tropical plants, ferns and flowers. The scene when all were seated about the tables was grand. Covers were laid for 1200 and nearly every place was filled.

After the banquet dancing was again resumed and continued until low 12.

The great success which attended the reception was largely due to the attention to details and untiring efforts of M.·. E.·. George E. Savory, H.·. P.·. E.·. John H. Bowker, K.·. and E.·. John H. Woodman, S.·., who constituted the Executive Committee. The excellent results attained well illustrated the advantage of a small board with full powers.

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E. K—Lawrence B. Cushing.
E. S.—Benjamin F. Bartlett.
Treasurer—Albert Currier.
Secretary—Samuel Brookings, Jr,
C. of H.—George H. Peckham.
P. S.—J. Willard Ballou.
R. A. C.—Orrin J. Gurney.
Masters of veils—C. L. Perkius, 1st; J. E. McCusker, 2d; T. J. Hunter, 3rd.
S. S.—H. B. Trask.
J. S.—E. M. Waitt.
Tyler—Frank H. Rundlett.

KING CYRUS CHAPTER.

A Century of Good Work by the Level and Square.

King Cyrus Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was organized in 1790 and was the second chapter formed in the State, the first being St. Andrews of Boston and the third formed was Temple of Albany, N. Y.

In 1797, March 13, these three chapters formed the General Grand Lodge of the United States. In 1798 the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was formed and Jonathan Gage and Gilman White of King Cyrus Chapter were delegates, Mr. Gage being at that time the high priest of King Cyrus Chapter and the oldest in the State installed the grand officers.

Beverly A. King of this city was the first grand king. There were no great interests taken in regard to forming chapters, Washington Chapter of Salem being formed in 1811 and no other sprang into existence for some years, but the seed planted in Newburyport and Boston took root and blossomed forth like the rose, until today there are 71 chapters in Massachusetts alone.

Newburyport has always been foremost in Masonic work and four of her prominent citizens have held offices of trust and responsibility in the Grand Lodge of the State. William R. Johnson is past deputy grand high priest; Charles C. Dame, past great king; Moses A. Fowler and John N. Pike, past grand scribes.

King Cyrus Chapter has always been loyal to the cause, and in its ranks have been and are today the heavy men of our city. It held its first meetings in a dwelling house on Green street, where on meeting night about 20 of the faithful would gather and talk over the mysteries of the craft.

Many a timid boy with the thoughts of the terrible deeds said to be enacted in their Masonic meetings would shy by the old house as if it had been haunted by the spirits of evil ones. Today the charter has 120 active members and holds its convocations in the beautiful St. John's Lodge rooms on State street.

THE CAMBRIDGE

Cambridge, Mass., Saturday, January 11, 1890.—Ten Pages.

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QUARTER-CENTENNIAL OF CAMBRIDGE R. A. CHAPTER.

A Brilliant Company and Impressive Ceremonies at Masonic, Union and Temple Halls, Last Evening.

CAMBRIDGE Royal Arch Chapter was instituted twenty-five years ago. The quarter-centennial of this august body was celebrated, last evening, in Masonic, Union and Temple halls, Cambridgeport, in a manner befitting an institution which has among its members so many of our public men and influential citizens. The newly-elected officers were publicly installed, with the impressive ceremonies of the order; an elegant jewel was presented to M.·. E.·. High Priest Lafayette G. Blair; appropriate music, both vocal and instrumental, was rendered; a delicious banquet was served to the company assembled; and a brilliant ball followed. The Tribune takes special pleasure in presenting a full account of the proceedings, together with a sketch of the chapter, and several appropriate illustrations.

The Charter of Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter.

(Signed) RICHARD BRIGGS, Grand High Priest.

To all the Exalted and Enlightened under the Canopy of Heaven, wheresoever assembled or dispersed:

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter in and for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts sendeth greeting:

Be it known, that in pursuance of the powers vested in us by the constitution of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for sundry good and sufficient reasons us thereunto moving, and reposing special trust and confidence in the Masonic abilities of the following companions of this degree, all resident in or near the city of Cambridge, in the county of Middlesex, in the Commonwealth aforesaid, have constituted, and by these presents do constitute, Eben Denton, Caleb Carpenter Allen, Frederick William Gregory, Zephaniah H. Thomas, Jr., William Fletcher Knowles, Frank A. Kennedy, Thomas LeFrancis, Jr., Samuel M. Davis, Joseph G. Holt, Lucius Robinson Paige and Enos Burt Phillips, together with all their regular associates, companions and successors, into a chapter of Royal Arch Masons, by the name and style of Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter, to take rank, date and precedence from the thirteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four. And we do hereby authorize and empower them, the said companions, or any nine of them, from time to time, and at all times hereafter, to open and hold a chapter of Royal Arch Masons in said city of Cambridge, and to exalt at their discretion any Master Mason to the degree of Royal Arch Mason; and for that purpose to open and hold lodges of mark masters, past masters and most excellent masters, agreeably to the ancient usages and customs of Royal Arch Masons; also to make and establish by-laws and regulations for the government of said chapter and lodges, provided such by-laws and regulations are not contrary to the constitution of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the Commonwealth, and the same at pleasure to alter or repeal; and further to order and establish such dues and fees for the admission of candidates and members as to them, or a major part of them, and their associates, shall seem proper, and as are required by the said Grand Chapter.

And we do hereby appoint our Excellent Companion Zephaniah H. Thomas, Jr., first high priest, Excellent Companion William Fletcher Knowles, first king, and Excellent Companion Joseph G. Holt, first scribe, of said chapter.

And we do hereby enjoin upon the companions of the said chapter that they, or any number of them, do not at any time hold any private meetings or assemblies for Masonic purposes, except in the presence of a companion appointed by the grand high priest, deputy grand high priest, grand king or grand scribe, or in the presence of either the high priest, king or scribe of the said chapter, for the time being. And, further, that they regularly pay, or cause to be paid, annually, to this Grand Chapter all their lawful dues.

And it is hereby absolutely required of the said high priest, king and scribe, for the time being, that they attend regularly, either in person or by their proxies, at all regular communications of this Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

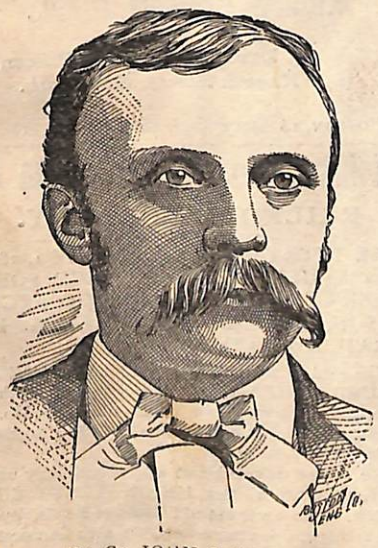
In witness whereof, we, the grand high priest, deputy grand high priest, grand king and grand scribe, have hereunto subscribed our names, and caused the seal of the said Grand Chapter to be affixed, and the same to be attested by the grand secretary, this nineteenth day of January, Anno Lucis five thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

(Signed)

SEAL

JOHN WILLIAM DADMUN,
Deputy Grand High Priest.
DAVID W. CRAFTS,
Grand King.
MARLBOROUGH WILLIAMS,
Grand Scribe.

Attest: THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.



E.·. C.·. JOHN C. SHEAFE.

Historical Review.

Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter was instituted January 19, 1866, by M.·. E.·. ~~John William Dadmun, Deputy~~ Grand High Priest. That the true Masonic spirit actuated the members of this young chapter, we have abundant proof, it being shown by their punctual and regular attendance at the meetings, which were held much oftener than at present, and also by the remarkable increase in membership during its earliest years, and the excellence of the material thus obtained. For several years, Friendship hall, still standing on Pearl street, between Green and Franklin streets, was the meeting place, and here was laid, deep and strong, the foundation of this institution, which has grown and prospered beyond the hopes of its most sanguine supporters. As in all bodies of a like nature, it is customary to act for a year under a dispensation, before the body is chartered. This serves to inspire the petitioners for the charter with greater zeal, and also serves to prove to the Grand Chapter the advisability of granting a charter and regularly instituting the body, as the amount of work performed and the class of men admitted during this period is a good criterion upon which to base their decision. That the members were actuated by the desire to secure the best possible material "on which to build their future moral and Masonic edifice," is evinced by the selection which was made of officers under the dispension: High priest, Henry Endicott; king, William F. Knowles; scribe, Joseph G. Holt; chaplain, Rev. Lucius R. Paige; captain of the ho t, Z. H. Thomas, Jr.; principal sojourner, Eben Denton; Royal Arch captain, Frank A. Kennedy; master third veil, J. D. Nutting; master second veil, T. LeFrancis, Jr.; master first veil, Samuel M. Davis; treasurer, Caleb C. Allen; secretary, Fred W. Gregory.

At the first regular meeting of 1865, held January 20, fifteen candidates received the mark master's degree, and at the special meeting, held on the 27th of the same month, nine more were advanced to this degree; and at the close of the year, we learn that the number of initiates was seventy-five, a amount of work not equalled in any year since. On the 9th of January 1866, the records inform us that "the members petitioned the most excellent grand high priest to be regularly chartered and the chapter consecrated," and on the 19th of January, this very beautiful and impressive ceremony was performed in the new Masonic hall, where the meetings have since been held, by Most Excellent Grand High Priest Richard Briggs, and the other members of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, and the following were the first officers under the charter: High priest, Z. H. Thomas, Jr.; king, William F. Knowles; scribe, Joseph G. Holt; chaplain, Rev. C. A. Skinner; captain of the host, Frank A. Kennedy; principal sojourner, Charles Harris; Royal Arch captain, Enos B. Phillips; master third veil, Samuel M. Davis; master second veil, Samuel D. Young; master first veil, William J. Dowd; treasurer, Caleb C. Allen; secretary, Fred W. Gregory; senior steward, Leander Greely; junior steward, William L. Lathrop; sentinel, Daniel M. Hazen; and at this time Excellent Companion Henry Endicott was elected the first honorary member of this chapter. This undoubtedly was in appreciation of his successful labors during the preceding year.

At the annual meeting, held on the 21st of December, 1866, the report shows that the membership had increased to 101, 24 having received the degrees during the year, and 87 having become members by affiliation; and at the close of the second year, an increase of 21 is reported, which increased the membership to 122. It was in this year — 1867 — that the first death occurred among the members. Companion Frederick F. Claussen, master of the steamship St. Louis, died at sea, November 17, and, to quote from the records, "on the 1st of December, the companions had the melancholy satisfaction of attending the remains to their final resting place." About this time, the membership was reduced six, that number of companions having withdrawn for the purpose of instituting Menotomy Chapter at Arlington, that portion of Cambridge formerly known as West Cambridge having been set apart and incorporated as Arlington, and as the new chapter would be much more convenient for these companions, they were granted their demits, and the chapter consented to the establishment of the new chapter, which, we are pleased to add, still lives and flourishes.

At the annual meeting, in December, 1868, the membership had reached 132, and the following table will show the growth of the chapter to the present: In 1865, 75; 1866, 101; 1867, 122; 1868, 132; 1869, admitted 21, discharged and deceased 5, membership 148; 1870, admitted 14, discharged and deceased 2, membership 160; 1871, admitted 17, discharged and deceased 6, membership 171; 1872, admitted 13, discharged and deceased 13, membership 171; 1873, membership 191; 1874, membership 213; 1875, membership 234; 1876, membership 244; 1877, admitted 5, discharged and deceased 10, membership 239. This is the first year showing a loss in membership since the establishment of the chapter. In 1878, admitted 4, discharged and deceased 13, membership 230; 1879, admitted 13, discharged and deceased 14, membership 229; 1880, admitted 19, discharged and deceased 14, membership 234; 1881, membership was reduced to 229; 1882, membership increased to 232; 1883, membership increased to 244; 1884, membership was reduced to 237; 1885, membership was reduced to 231; 1886, membership increased to 252; 1887, membership was reduced to 250; 1888, membership increased to 260; and the past year shows a most remarkable activity, no less than forty-eight having been admitted, while four deaths and two demits leave the present membership 302.

The saddest event and the greatest loss which the chapter sustained in 1872 was the death, which occurred Saturday, Dec. 28, of the Most Excellent High Priest William J. Dowd. And on July 30, 1884, the chapter suffered another serious loss by the death of Companion J. Warren Cotton, their honored and respected treasurer. In 1885 death again visited this body, and claimed as his own all that was mortal of Most Excellent Companion Zephaniah H. Thomas, the first high priest under the charter, a companion who had become so conspicuous for his ritualistic and clerical abilities that the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts ordered the emblems of mourning to be displayed in all subordinate chapters in this jurisdiction for a period of ninety days. Com-

Richard Briggs — see next column 10 th line

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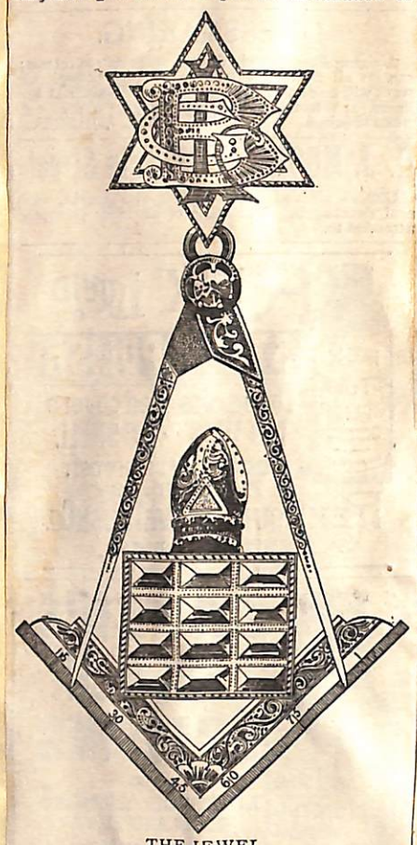
panion Thomas had attained the 33°. Seymour B. Snow, high priest during 1873, was the next shining mark at which death levelled his lance, his death occurring in December, 1886; and was followed, in the month of March, 1887, by Past High Priest James A. Martin.

It is with pleasure that we record the fact that the remaining high priests are in possession of all their faculties and, so far as human intelligence can determine, are likely to remain with us for many years to come. "So mote it be."

We learn from the records that the members considered it both feasible and advisable to hold a strawberry festival on the 28th of June, 1870, which must have been well managed and conducted, as the proceeds, amounting to $50.95, will show, and this amount was promptly turned into the chapter treasury. In the following year the attempt was repeated, but, alas, not with such success as marked its predecessor: the records inform us that the receipts were $246, while the expenses were $302, leaving a deficit of $56, and which, we are also informed, does not include bills for printing. Since this date no mention is made in the records of strawberry festivals.

That the members have ever been willing to attend to the wants of the inner man is shown no less strongly in 1871 than in this year of grace, for we learn that at the annual meeting, held December 8, 1871, a committee was appointed with full power to make the necessary arrangements for a public installation of



THE JEWEL,

officers—"A vote of the chapter first expressing the preference of the companions present for a *good collation* at the *expense of the chapter*."

There are many interesting events in the history of this body during the past twenty-five years which must of necessity be omitted in the preparation of an article for the press, where space and the time which can be devoted to the collection of fact are both so limited. Suffice it to say that Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter is without a peer among the chapters in this jurisdiction, that its reputation for the excellence of its work is known far and wide, that a more harmonious body does not exist, and in no Masonic body in this jurisdiction, or in any other, are the truly Masonic virtues taught and practised more faithfully and conscientiously than in this institution.

M.·. E.·. COMP. LAFAYETTE G. BLAIR.

Program of Exercises.

The ceremonies of installation and their accompanying exercises were of great impressiveness and beauty. The installing officers were: E.·. Companion Leonard M. Averell, as deputy grand high priest, assisted by E.·. Companion John G. Thorogood, as grand captain of the host, whose trying duties were performed with thoroughness, familiarity and dignity. The instrumental and quartet music of the evening was furnished by Carter's orchestra and the Mendelssohn quartet, consisting of Companion F. W. Knowles, first tenor; Companion C. J. Buffum, second tenor; Companion J. L. White, first bass; Companion John K. Berry, second bass. The detailed program was as follows:

Music, introductory.
Entrance of officers of Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter.
Reception of R.·. E.·. Arthur G. Pollard, grand high priest, and suite, of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts.
Invocation by Companion Rev. Lucius R. Paige, chaplain, of Cambridge R.·. A.·. Chapter, under dispensation.
Address of welcome by M.·. E.·. Lafayette G. Blair, high priest of Cambridge R. A. Chapter.

How blest the mystic tie that binds
In sweet communion kindred minds;
How swift the heavenly course they run
Whose heart and faith and hope are one.
Together oft we seek the place
Where we may greet each welcome face.
How high, how strong the rapturous swell,
These kindred souls can tell.
Nor shall the glowing flame expire,
Till nature lose her quickening fire.
Then shall we meet in realms above,
A heaven of joy and love.

Historical address by R.·. E.·. Charles Harris, past high priest of Cambridge R. A. Chapter.
Reception of Installing Officer E.·. Companion Leonard M. Averell and suite.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Installation of M.·. E.·. high priest, E.·. Companion Lafayette G. Blair.

Ere this vast world was made,
Or its foundation laid,
Our art began.
Cherub and Cherubim,
Seraph and Seraphim,
Joined in one glorious hymn
Before the throne.

Installation of E.·. king, E.·. Companion Albert K. Hebard.

God their Grand Master was,
Fixed their unerring laws
By His decree.
Faith, Hope and Charity,
Friendship and Unity,
Truth, Love and Secrecy,
All laws divine.

Installation of E.·. scribe, E.·. Companion John C. Sheafe.

Oh, may our constant theme
To heaven's great King supreme
Be grateful love.
May we, whene'er we meet,
Chant hallelujahs sweet,
And, joyful, still repeat
Jehovah's praise.

E.·. C.·. ALBERT K. HEBARD.

Installation of treasurer, E.·. Companion George W. Bunton.
Installation of secretary, Companion John D. C. Harries.
Installation of chaplain, Companion Leroy A. Whittier.
Music.
Cross and crown, by Companion Joseph L. White.
Companion captain of the host, Companion Charles M. Pear.
Principal sojourner, Companion Herbert A. Rhoades.
Royal Arch captain, Companion Harrie E. Mason.
Master of the third veil, Companion Richard W. Sutton.
Master of the second veil, Companion Warren P. Dudley.
Master of the first veil, Companion Francis L. Sawtell.
Stewards, Companion Frank E. Shaw, Companion George E. Brigham.
Organist, Companion George Swift.
Tyler, Companion Freeland S. Holmes.
Proclamation by grand captain of the host.
"Mighty Jehovah, Accept our Praises," adapted to music by Verdi. Quartet and orchestra.
Charge by deputy grand high priest.
Presentation of jewel to E.·. Companion Lafayette G. Blair by E.·. Companion J. G. Thorogood.
Musical selections by Mrs. G. B. Lenfest and Miss M. Gertrude Hillman.
Reading, Miss Mary Blair.
Banquet.

Committees.

To successfully carry out plans of such magnitude and detail as entered into last evening's celebration, has required much time, thought and strict attention. Credit is due the following committees for the manner in which those duties were performed:

The general committee of arrangements was as follows; M.·. E.·. High Priest Lafayette G. Blair, *ex officio*, E.·. King Albert K. Hebard, E.·. Scribe John C. Sheafe, E.·. Companion John G. Thorogood, Companion Charles O. Welch, Companion Herman Bird, Companion Samuel Noyes, Jr., Companion J. D. C. Harries, secretary.

The reception committee was composed of Companion Herman Bird, chairman, with the following aids: E.·. Companion Hiram L. Chase, E.·. Companion Austin Bigelow, E.·. Companion John G. Thorogood, Companion Horace G. Kemp, Companion Leander M. Hannum, Companion Alpheus B. Alger, Companion Emery Bemis, Companion Charles O. Welch, Companion Walter W. Pike, Companion George H. Munroe, Companion Silas E. Buck, Companion Samuel Noyes, Jr., Companion John S. Rice, Companion Charles F. Johnson, Companion William A. Blodgett, Companion George M. Smith, Companion Edward T. Nichols, Companion Edgar F. Hunt, Companion Horace P. Blackman, Companion Frank H. Ivers, Companion John E. Parry, Companion William A. Hunnewell, Companion George M. McCallar, Companion William M. Townsend, Companion George P. Rice.

The Banquet.

Last night's celebration would not have been complete without a banquet, and, as will be seen by the program, this interesting feature was not omitted. The good things were furnished by J. Tyler Hicks & Co. The viands were of the choicest, faultlessly prepared and of great variety; nothing seemed lacking, and too much cannot be said of the ease and facility with which so large a company was served as was that which filled Temple hall, where the repast was spread. The edibles were arranged upon a table forty feet long by six feet wide, decorated with large silver pieces, candelabras, epergnes and flowers in the centre, giving a very handsome appearance. Upon two side tables were accommodated coffee, chocolate and lemonade:

OYSTERS.
Raw in Ice Block,
Creamed,
Patties, Escalloped.
CROQUETTES.
Chicken Croquettes and French Peas,
Cream Fritters, Wine Sauce, Potato Croquettes.
COLD MEATS.
Boned Turkey with Jelly.
SALADS.
Lobster, Chicken.
SWEETS.
Macedoine of Fruit in Jelly,
Frozen Pudding, Charlotte Russe, Candied Fruit.
SHERBETS.
Fancy Ices with Spun Sugar,
Lemon, Orange and Raspberry Harlequin.
ICE CREAM.
Vanilla, Strawberry and Chocolate Harlequin,
Pistachio, Café Parfait.
CAKE.
Almond, Citron, Currant, Chocolate,
Plain Frosted, Cocoanuts, Macaroons,
Ladies' Fingers, Fancy Decorated.
FRUIT.
Apples, Oranges, Bananas.
Chocolate, Coffee, Lemonade.

The Arrangements.

The arrangements for accommodating the guests, last evening, were most excellent. The ladies were given possession of the regular lodge and ante-rooms of the Masonic hall, while the gentlemen laid off their coats and hats in the banquet-room on the next floor above. A covered bridge was erected between the second stories of Masonic hall and Union hall, enabling the guests to pass into the latter without going down stairs and out of doors. The installing exercises occurred in Union hall and the banquet was served in Temple hall.

The Portraits.

Mr. Lafayette G. Blair, the present high priest of Cambridge Chapter, has had a most successful Masonic career, and is well known and highly respected in Masonic circles all over the state. He was raised in Mt. Olivet lodge, in October, 1878, and was successively elected senior steward, senior deacon, junior and senior warden, and, in 1885, worshipful master. He was exalted in Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter in June, 1881, and has held the offices of master of the first veil, master of the third veil, Royal Arch captain, captain of the host, scribe, king, and his present position of high priest. Mr. Blair took the orders in Joseph Warren Commandery, Knights Templars, of Boston, in 1886, in which he has been captain of the first and third guard, and at present is the warden. He has also been honored by an election to the board of trial commissioners of the Grand lodge, where he has served the past four years, a member of the board of Masonic Hall association, and an honorary member of Mt. Olivet lodge. Thus, in a short career of ten years, Mr. Blair has made uncommonly rapid progress, which is explained by his strong personal popularity and good fellowship, and the thoroughness with which he undertakes and performs his work.

Mr. Albert K. Hebard, king of Cambridge Chapter, joined Mizpah lodge in 1877, receiving immediately the appointment of chorister. He has held office continuously, passing through the various chairs to senior warden, to which he was elected at the last annual meeting. He joined Cambridge Chapter in 1878, and was appointed to the position of master of the second veil by Excellent Companion E. L. Haley, and has served in all the positions of the chapter to that of king.

John C. Sheafe, the present scribe of Cambridge Chapter, was raised in Joseph Warren lodge, December 26, 1882. He was exalted in Cambridge Chapter, November 23, 1883, and has held the office of master of the veil, Royal Arch captain, principal sojourner, and captain of the host.

The Jewel.

An illustration of the jewel presented to High Priest Blair is given herewith, but any illustration of course would fail to show its beauty or value. It was manufactured by B. A. Hersey, 465 Washington street, Boston, and is a splendid specimen of the jeweller's art. It is of the finest gold, beautifully chased, the top being in the shape of a double triangle bearing the monogram "L. G. B." Suspended from the lower point of the triangle are the compasses and square, a beautiful diamond being set at the joint of the compasses. Between the points of the compasses and touching the square is a miniature breastplate containing twelve different colored stones, surmounting which is a high priest's mitre. On the reverse side is the inscription:

January 10, 1890,
Cambridge
R. A.
Chapter,
to
P. M. E. H. P. Lafayette G. Blair.

Distinguished Guests.

The following are among the distinguished guests invited to last evening's celebration, from whom letters of acceptance were received:

Henry Endicott, past grand master of Massachusetts; Alfred F. Chapman, R.·. E.·. grand secretary, Grand Royal Arch Chapter; Eleazer H. Brazer, right excellent district deputy grand high priest, First Capitular District; Rev. Smith Baker, E.·. Rev. grand chaplain; Rev. Charles A. Skinner, E.·. Rev. grand chaplain; Fred H. Spring, E.·. grand captain of the host; Serenus Bowen, E.·. grand lecturer; Rev. John W. Dadmun, most excellent past grand high priest; Edmond F. Peters, high priest of Signet Chapter; James Swords, V. E. deputy grand commander; George Breeden, scribe, Newton R.·. A.·. Chapter; R. Walter Hilliard, king, Menotomy Chapter, Arlington; Samuel Hosea, Jr., past master, Aberdour lodge, Boston; Rev. Oliver A. Roberts; Calvin W. Sawyer, past master, Star of Bethlehem lodge, Chelsea; Thomas J. Young, past master, Mt. Olivet lodge, Cambridge.

Letters.

Among the interesting letters received by High Priest Blair was one from Companion Samuel D. Young, who received his degrees at the second meeting of Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter, January 27, 1865, tendering to the chapter a complete file of all the notices issued to the members since the institution of the chapter. This gift is of great value, containing a complete record of all applicants for the degrees in the chapter during its entire existence.

The Souvenir Program.

The souvenir program was a gem. It was gotten up under the personal supervision of E.·. Comp.·. John G. Thorogood. The covers were of cardboard printed in red and black, the first page containing a well-executed reproduction of the charter of the chapter, and the last page a reproduction of the diploma in use at the time the chapter was instituted. The paper on which the program was printed is of the best linen, the edges being rough, and the several parts being fastened together with red silk ribbon. Messrs. S. J. Parkhill & Co. were the printers.

The Officers.

The officers are members of the several subordinate bodies as follows: E.·. C.·. Blair, past master of Mt. Olivet lodge; E.·. C.·. Hebard, senior warden of Mizpah lodge; E.·. C.·. Sheafe, member of Joseph Warren lodge; E.·. C.·. Bunton, past master of Mizpah lodge; Comp. Harries, member of Mizpah lodge; Comp. Whittier, chaplain of Amicable lodge; Comp. Pear, master of Charity lodge; Comp. Rhoades, master of Mizpah lodge; Comp. Mason, junior deacon of Mizpah lodge; Comp. Sutton, master of Amicable lodge; Comp. Dudley, junior deacon of Mt. Olivet lodge; Comp. Sawtell, member of Putnam lodge; Comp. Shaw, junior warden of Putnam lodge; Comp. Brigham, member of Amicable lodge. It will be seen that the material is the very best.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 1889.

Capitular Masonry.

Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter Observes its Twenty-Fifth Anniversary.

Last evening the above-named organization observed its twenty-fifth anniversary in Masonic, Union and Temple Halls by holding a public installation of officers and partaking of a recherche supper prepared by J. Tyler Hicks & Co., the well known caterers.

Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter was constituted, consecrated, and solemnly dedicated, in accordance with a charter granted by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, in December, 1864. It began with a little more than the requisite complement of members, but during its first year of existence its growth was greater than in any year since, excepting the year 1889, when new life was infused into it by the Most Excellent High Priest. Companion Lafayette G. Blair. At present there are three hundred companions who are connected with the several Masonic lodges in this city and neighboring places. The requirements for membership, are that the applicant shall be a master mason of good repute and well recommended. With these requisites, the mark mason's degrees are conferred.

To make the event of last evening a successful aud memorable one, the excellent committee of management spared no pains to have an anniversary celebration befitting a quarter century of existence. Union Hall was engaged in which to hold the services of installation, a space on the floor being set apart in which to perform the ceremonies, which were witnessed by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, seated on the platform, and by the audience occupying seats on the main floor and in the balconies. Masonic Hall was used as a reception room, from which access to Union Hall was accomplished by passing over a temporary covered bridge from Masonic Hall, erected in the area between the two buildings. It was a capital idea, for it protected the members and their guests from the exposure of leaving the Masonic building, by the street door to enter Union Hall.

The following order of exercises were observed:

Music, Introductory. Entrance of officers of Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter.

Reception of R.·. E.·. Arthur G. Pollard, Grand High Priest and Suite of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts.

Invocation by Comp. Rev. Lucius R. Paige, Chaplain of Cambridge R.·. A.·. Chapter under Dispensation.

Address of welcome by M.·. E.·. Lafayette G. Blair. High Priest of Cambridge R. A. Chapter.

Historical Address by R.·. E.·. Charles Harris, Past High Priest of Cambridge R. A. Chapter.

Reception of Installing Officer E.·. Companion Leonard M. Averell and Suite.

Installation of Officers by E.·. Comp. Leonard M. Averell as Deputy Grand High Priest assisted by E.·. Comp. John G. Thorogood as Grand Captain of the Host.

Music, Mendelssohn Quartette and Carter's Orchestra.

Installation of M.·. E.·. High Priest, E.·. Companion Lafayette G. Blair; E.·. King, E.·. Companion Albert K. Hebard; E.·. Scribe, E.·. Companion John C. Sheafe; treasurer, E.·. Companion George W. Bunton; secretary, Companion John D. C. Harries; chaplain, Companion Leroy A. Whittier.

Music, Cross and Crown, by Comp. Joseph L. White; Companion Captain of the Host, Companion Charles M. Pear; Principal Sojourner, Companion Herbert A. Rhoades; Royal Arch Captain, Companion Harrie E. Mason; Master of the Third Veil, Companion Richard W. Sutton; Master of the Second Veil, Companion Warren P. Dudley; Master of the First Veil, Companion Francis L. Sawtell; Stewards, Companion Frank E. Shaw, Companion George E. Brigham; Organist, Companion, George Swift; Tyler, Companion Freeland S. Holmes. Proclamation, by Grand Captain of the Host; Mighty Jehovah Accept Our Praises, Quartette and Orchestra; Charge, by Deputy Grand High Priest; Presentation of Jewel to E.·. Comp. Lafayette G. Blair, by E.·. Comp. J. G. Thorogood; Musical Selection, by Mrs. G. B. Lenfest and Miss M. Gertrude Hillman; reading, by Miss Mary Blair.

At the conclusion of the foregoing ceremonies the very large company proceeded to Temple Hall, where supper was partaken of.

The companions who managed this gigantic affair were as follows: General committee of arrangements

M.·. E.·. High Priest. Lafayette G. Blair, *Ex Officio*, E.·. King, Albert K. Hebard, E.·. Scribe, John C. Sheafe, E.·. Comp. John G. Thorogood, Comp. Charles O. Welch, Comp. Herman Bird, Comp. Samuel Noyes, Jr., Comp. J. D. C. Harries, Secretary.

The reception committee consisted of Companion Herman Bird, chairman, and the following aids:

CAPITULAR MASONRY.

New Royal Arch Chapter Instituted in Dorchester by the Grand Chapter Officers.

The Dorchester Royal Arch Chapter was formally instituted at Winthrop Hall, Dorchester, last evening. There was a large gathering of companions. On the entrance of the Grand Chapter they were received in the usual manner, and an anthem, "The Earth is the Lord's," was sung. Prayer followed by the Grand Chaplain and then the Lord's Prayer was chanted. The introduction of petitioners by the R.·. E.·. Deputy Grand High Priest followed and then the reading of the charter by the R. E. Grand Secretary; the constitution of the chapter by M. E. Grand High Priest in the usual form, and the dedication by E. Grand Chaplain were most impressive. The anthem, "Praise the Lord," was sung, and proclamation by the E. Grand Captain of the Host completed the ceremony.

The officers of the new chapter were installed by J. Albert Blake, M. E. Grand High Priest, assisted by Sereno Bowen, R. E. Grand Secretary, as follows: High Priest, J. Lodge Eddy; King, Frederick L. Walker; Scribe, Samuel Crowell; Treasurer, Isaac H. Eddy; Secretary, N. B. Rand; Chaplain, Rev. Albert Danke; Captain of the Host, Jas. T. Sherman; Principal Sojourner, F. N. Bliss; Royal Arch Captain, O. B. Oakman; Master Third Veil, Howard N. Knight; Master Second Veil, Chas. D. Wright; Master First Veil, Harry B. Whall; Senior Steward, Herbert N. Drew; Junior Steward, David B. Gipson; Tyler, Benj. C. Bird.

After the installation exercises the Corinthian Quartette rendered some fine vocal selections. A banquet was then held in the upper hall, when the gentlemen and their lady friends sat down to a bountiful repast.

T. MASS., FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1890.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Centennial Anniversary Celebration of King Cyrus Chapter.

Appropriate Exercises at Masonic Hall—Annual Visitation of the R. E. D. D. G. H. P.—Historical Address by Rev. Com. O. A. Roberts—A Feast at Veteran Hall—Speeches and Music.

One hundred years, a good old age!

The Centennial celebration of King Cyrus Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, occurred Thursday evening, and was a grand success. This chapter is the second oldest in this state; the chapter ante-dating it being St. Andrew's chapter of Boston, organized on the 28th of August, 1769. King Cyrus has a membership of nearly one hundred and numbered among them are men of high standing and the more prominent citizens of old Newburyport.

At 5.45 o'clock in the afternoon a regular convocation of the chapter was held at Masonic hall, the lodge room being well filled by companions of the local body and many invited guests from other places. At 7 o'clock the ladies were escorted to the hall and R. E. Alonzo H. Smith, District Deputy Grand High Priest of the Second Capitular District, was received in proper form, this being made the occasion of his annual visitation. The Orpheus Brass Quartette, under the direction of Theron D. Perkins, was in attendance and opened the evening's exercises, which were as follows:

Hymn.....Ernst
Orpheus Quartet.
Prayer.....
Rev. Companion Brevard D. Sinclair.
Response, "Die Capelle".....Kreutzer
Orpheus Quartet.
Historical Address.....
Rev. Companion Oliver A. Roberts.
Finale, "Devotion in the Forest,".....Abt
Orpheus Quartet.

Mr. Roberts' address was listened to with great interest and was a masterly work. It embraced the history of the chapter during the century, including a description of the halls occupied; names of its members; sketches of those most prominent, and a great many men and facts, which was greatly appreciated by those present. At the conclusion of Rev. Mr. Roberts' address the companions were invited to Veteran hall where an excellent banquet was spread, the wives and lady friends joining in this part of the program. The banquet was served by William I. Austin, caterer, and was a sumptuous feast including the most favorite dishes known to the art. It was a credit to the caterer and greatly relished by the masons and their guests. After the discussion of the viands M. E. High Priest Alfred Pearson called the company to order and introduced as the first speaker R. E. D. D. G. H. P. Alonzo H. Smith of Salem who spoke interestingly and congratulated the chapter on its prosperity. He was followed by Excellent Com. Charles C. Dame, E.C., E. P. Dodge and M. E. H. P. David S. Davoll of Trinity chapter of Amesbury. Next followed a select program, the following artists taking part: Miss Edith Estelle Torrey, soprano; Miss Mae Hussey, elocutionist; Mr. Charles L'Orage, violinist; Mr. George H. Howard, accompanist. The Orpheus Quartette: Theron D. Perkins, 1st cornet and director; James Roche, 2d cornet; Luis Doteu, 1st alto; John Park, euphoneum. The program is as follows:

Concerto in D.....De Beriot
Mr. L'Orage.
Recitation, "Convent Child"..Adelaide Proctor
Miss Hussey.
Song, "Open Thy Blue Eyes".....Massenet
Miss Torry.
Violin, "Playful Rockets".....Reising
Mr. L'Orage.
Recitation, "Tit for Tat".....
Miss Hussey.
Selection.....Kreutzer
Orpheus Quartette.

The several numbers were very creditably performed and heartily encored.

The whole affair was admirably arranged and carried out and the centennial celebration of King Cyrus chapter will go into history as one of the most enjoyable events in Masonic circles in the year of 1890.

The present officers of the chapter are: Alfred Pearson, M. E. H. P.; Lawrence B. Cushing, excellent king; George H. Pearson, scribe; Albert Currier, treasurer; Samuel Brookings, secretary; George H. Peckham, C. of H.; J. Willard Ballou, P. S.; Orrin J. Gurney, R. A. C; Master of Veils, 1st, C. L. Perkins, 2d, J. E. McCusker, 3d, T. J. Hunter; H. B. Frask, S. S.; E. M. Waitt, J. S.; Frank H. Rundlett, tyler.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEB. 1, 1888

MASONIC.

St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter Royally Entertains.

The officers and members of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter of this city, one of the most flourishing organizations of Capitular Masonry, whose active membership at present numbers 552, gave a reception and entertainment Tuesday evening in Masonic Temple to their ladies, at which there were also present, by invitation, quite a number of prominent members of the fraternity and their ladies. The assemblage numbered at least 750 persons. The ladies and their escorts were welcomed upon their arrival by M. Ex. Comp. Edgar O. Dewey, the H. P., and by the other officers of the chapter, and by the Reception Committee, consisting of M. Ex. Comp. W. H. L. Smith, Chairman, and M. Ex. Companions Wyzeman Marshall, James A. Fox, Charles J. Miller, E. Bentley Young, J. Francis Lotts and Frederick H. Spring, and escorted to Sutton Hall, where a reception was held from half-past seven to half-past eight o'clock. The informality of the occasion, and the liberty allowed, through the courtesy of the associate bodies in the Temple in opening their several apartments to the guests, was the source of much social enjoyment, as well as freedom to the promenaders, which was greatly appreciated. An elegant and specially prepared programme of sixteen pages, inclosed in handsome covers, kept each one posted as to where each entertainment was given and the order of its presentation. During the reception hour a promenade concert, conducted by Comp. Thomas M. Carter, was given in Sutton Hall. The programme embraced six numbers, among which was a cornet solo by Mr. John M. Flockton and a piccolo obligato by Mr. O. J. Ball.

At 8 o'clock the officers of the Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts, in the persons of R. E. Comp. William R. Johnson, Deputy Grand H. P.; R. E. John B. Whitaker, Grand King, were received by M. Ex. Comp. Edgar O. Dewey, H. P., also the other bidden guests, among whom were M. Ex. Comp. Warren B. Ellis, H. P.; Ex. Comp. Eugene A. Holton, K., and Ex. Comp. Charles E. Phipps, of Saint Andrew's Chapter; M. Ex. Comp. Charles H. Kimball, H. P., of St. Matthew's Chapter; M. Ex. Comp. Henry Kenny, Jr., H. P., of St. John's Chapter; M. Ex. Comp. William B. Lawrence, H. P., of Mystic Chapter; Em. Sir Frank T. Dwinell, Comdr., De Molay Commandery; Em. Sir Frederick H. Spring, Comdr., Joseph Warren Commandery; Ill.·. E. H. Doolittle, 33°, Master of Mt. Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix; Ill.·. Joseph W. Work, 32°, Master of Giles F. Yates Council, Princes of Jerusalem, and Companions George S. Carpenter, Otis Eddy, Joshua F. Sampson and Henry A. Kidder.

Between the hours of 8.30 and 9.30 there were simultaneous entertainments given in Egyptian and Gothic Halls, in which the audiences were seated under the direction of the Chief Usher, Comp. Thomas J. Young. He was assisted by an able staff of aids at each of the above halls, also at the Banquet Hall.

The programme in Egyptian Hall embraced a vocal march, "Now Forward," by Comps. Bateman, Webber, Cook and Ryder of the Temple Quartette; duet, "Autumn," by Mrs. Maude M. Starkweather and Miss M. Gertruge Edmands; impersonations by Mr. Edward K. Hood; solo, "Swiss Echo Song," by Mrs. Starkweather; solo, "Dreams," by Miss Edmands; reading, "The Engineer's Story," by M. Ex. Comp. Wyzeman Marshall; trio in G major, for piano, violin and violoncello, by Mrs. Alma Faunce-Smith, Mr. Charles N. Allen and Mr. Wulf Fries; solo, "The Three Ages of Love," by Mr. William H. Fessenden; reading, "Chariot Race from Ben Hur," by Miss Carrie E. Hale; xylophone solo, "Non Piu Mesta," by Mr. Thomas B. Senia. Mrs. Alma Faunce-Smith and Mrs. Abby Clark Ford played the piano accompaniments. The entertainments were well received, the audiences by their liberal applause and encores fully attesting their appreciation.

By changing the order of their rendering, the same programme was simultaneously given in Gothic Hall by the same artists.

From 8.30 to 11 o'clock a collation was served in the banquet hall. In conducting the guests to this feast considerable tact was displayed by the committee in dividing the guests that the hall should not be overcrowded, and providing that each should be well and abundantly served. The hall was tastefully decorated under the direction of the Committee on Decorations.

Notwithstanding the unusually large number of ladies and gentlemen present, which made the duties of the Executive Committee and ushers arduous, they were each indefatigable in their attention to details. Everything was well arranged and with the single purpose to entertain and please the guests of the evening, in which purpose they succeeded completely.

The occasion will long be remembered by those who had the good fortune to be present as a most pleasant affair. The Executive Committee consisted of M. Ex. Comp. Edgar O. Dewey, Chairman; Ex. Comps. William P. Beeching, M. D., and Samuel F. Hubbard, M. Ex. Comps. Frederick H. Spring and E. Bentley Young and Comps. William White, George P. Page, Charles Eaton, John Russell, Theodore H. Emmons, Andrew J. Lloyd, William Bradford, Henry J. Parker, George E. Savory and Samuel Hosea, Jr. The company separated shortly before midnight.

MASONS ALL.

Blazing Jewels, Fair Ladies and High Priests

Amid the Gay Throng at Masonic Temple.

Reception, Entertainment and Banquet of

The Members of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter.

Distinguished People Who Were Present.

MASONIC Temple, the five-story Gothic building on the corner of Boylston and Tremont streets, was brilliantly illuminated from basement to the little turrets which stand at each corner last night, the occasion being a reception, entertainment and banquet given by the members of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter. The affair was one of the most brilliant that has taken place under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity for many years, and proved most enjoyable to all who were fortunate in securing tickets for the event. Every room in the vast temple was thrown open to the guests, and the arrangements for their comforts were most perfect.

Sutton Hall, in which the reception took place, is one of the finest of its kind in the country, both in its furnishings and the decorative art that is displayed on every side. It was further adorned by various Masonic emblems worked in choice flowers and evergreens, bouquets and tropical plants in profusion, and presented a fine appearance. During the reception the hall was crowded with ladies in elegant toilets of satins, silks and laces of every shade and color. It was a scene long to be remembered by the participants; on the one hand the wealth, fashion and beauty of hundreds of homes, where, with the exception of on lodge nights, all good Masons pass their leisure hours; on the other hand the Masons themselves, resplendent in jewels and full regalia, as fine a looking body of citizens as the city could show. It was the power and chivalry of the order, blended with the grace and dignity of its wives and daughters, that made the occasion both successful and memorable. Nothing occurred to break the evening's harmony, and much transpired that will linger pleasantly in the memories of all who were there. The Masonic fraternity are known throughout the world for their hospitality, and the manner in which the right hand of fellowship was extended to their guests and the royal manner in which they entertained last night was only a repetition of many previous events which have taken place under their auspices.

Arrival of the Guests.

As early as 7.30 carriages rolled up to the temple and deposited their freights of elegantly dressed ladies, and gentlemen in full evening costume, with the jewels of the various degrees glittering on their breasts, who were received on alighting by the chief usher, Thomas J. Young, and 24 aids.

The reception committee consisted of the following gentlemen: M. E. William H. L. Smith, chairman; M. E. Wyzeman Marshall, M. John K. Hall, M. E. Henry Endicott, M. E. James A. Fox, M. E. Alexander K. Bryer, M. E. Edwin Wright, M. E. Charles J. Miller, M. E. George R. Marble, M. E. E. Bentley Young, M. E. J. Francis Lotts, M. E. Frederick H. Spring, whose special duty was to receive and entertain the invited guests of the chapter.

Among the

Prominent Masons Present Were:

Arthur G. Pollard, M. E. Grand H. P.; William R. Johnson, R. E. Deputy G. H. P.; Dr. John E. Whitaker, R. E. Grand King; and Hon. Solomon A. Bolster, R. E. Grand Scribe of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

Henry Endicott, M. W. Grand Master.

Sereno D. Nickerson, R. W. Grand Recording Secretary.

Warren B. Ellis, M. E. H. P.; Eugene A. Holton, E. K.; and Charles E. Phipps, E. S., St. Andrews' Royal Arch Chapter.

Edmund F. Peters, M. E. H. P., Chapter of the Signet.

Charles H. Kimball, M. E. H. P., St. Mathew's R. A. C.

Henry Kenney, Jr., M. E. H. P., St. John's R. A. C.

William Donaldson, M. E. H. P., Mt. Vernon R. A. C.

Levi Stearns, M. E. H. P., St. Stephen's R. A. C.

William B. Lawrence, M. E. H. P., Mystic R. A. C.

Eugene H. Richards, eminent commander Boston Commandery, K. T.

Edward C. Morris, eminent commander St. Bernard's Commandery, K. T.

Frand T. Dwinell, eminent commander De Molay Commandery, K. T.

Frederich H. Spring, eminent commander Joseph Warren Commandery, K. T.

John H. Lakin, 32°, illustrious commander-in-chief Massachusetts Consistory.

Erastus H. Doolittle, 33°, most worthy and perfect master Mount Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix.

Joseph W. Work, 32°, M. E. Sov. Pr. G. M.

Giles F. Gates, council Prince of Jerusalem.

John L. Stevenson, 33°.
Fred G. Walbridge, 33°.
George S. Carpenter, 33°.
Albert C. Smith, 33°.
Leonard M. Averill, 32°.
Benjamin W. Rowell, 32°.
Rev. Oliver A. Roberts, 32°.
Charles E. Pierce, 32°.
Henry E. Hosley, 32°.
Otis Eddy.
Joshua F. Sampson, 32°.
Henry A. Kidder.
Thomas S. Spurr.
George A. Gillette.
Harvey N. Shepard, 32°.

The Reception and Concert.

During the reception Thomas M. Carter's rchestra, which occupied a position in Sutton Hall, performed the following choice programme:

Polonaise—Carnival.....Sekat
Overture—Orpheus in die Unterwelt.....Offenbach
Waltz—Buergesinn.....Strauss
Selection—Erminie.....Jacobowski
Cornet solo—The Seaflower.....Rollinson
Mr. John M. Flockton.
Russian Dance—Pas de Patineurs.....Glinka
Piccolo obligato by Mr. O. J. Ball.

On the arrival of the grand officers the officers of the chapter took up a position in front of the dais and received their guests, the grand officers being introduced by District Deputy Grand Master W. H. L. Smith of the first Masonic district. After the reception the guests adjourned to enjoy the magnificent entertainment that had been provided by the chapter, they having engaged the following talented artists, who gave simultaneous concerts in Egyptian and Gothic halls: Mrs. Maude M. Starkweather, soprano; Miss M. Gertrude Edmands, contralto; Mrs. Alma Faunce-Smith, Mrs. Abby Clark-Ford, pianistes; William H. Fessenden, tenor; Charles N. Allen, violin; Wulf Fries, violoncello; Thomas B. Senia, xylophone; Temple quartet, consisting of W. R. Bateman, tenor; E. F. Webber, tenor; H. A. Cook, barytone; A. C. Ryder, basso; Miss Carrie E. Hale, Wyzeman Marshall and Edward K. Hood, elocutionists.

Egyptian Hall was in charge of E. Bentley Young, who had for aids the following brethren: George P. Eustis, Francis E. Page, Francis E. Merriman, Frank E. Garden, Anson L. Bearse, Seth Perkins, George I. Sanborn, Frank Stadtmiller, Jr.

The hall was comfortably filled with gayly-dressed ladies and members of the fraternity, resplendent in full regalia and magnificent jewels, who showed their appreciation by frequent applause of the various artists.

In Gothic Hall a similar scene was being enacted with a programme equally as interesting. This was in charge of Frederick H. Spring and the following aids: John F. Ham, Albro A. Osgood, Eugene C. Upton, Henry A. Bolan, Almon Wight, George H. Payne, De Witt Shaffer, William R. H. Stark.

The Banquet.

From 8.30 to 11 o'clock a banquet was served by Caterer Tufts in the banquet hall.

The following gentlemen had charge of this department, and their duties were by no means onerous, when it is considered that upwards of 1000 persons were present, and, with very few exceptions, all visited the banquet hall: Samuel Hosea, Jr., and the following aids: Edward E. Wells, George H. Gibson, Frank H. Mudge, Samuel H. Spring, Cyrus P. Austin, Charles E. Kettell, George A. King, Frank F. Cutter.

The tables were magnificently decorated with scores of bouquets of choice flowers, and the hall itself presented a very attractive appearance, being festooned with evergreens and red and white bunting. From each window fell in graceful folds lace curtains prettily draped over red bunting.

During the banquet the orchestra performed an excellent programme, after which the company adjourned to the elegant parlors of the Ancient Accepted Rite, the De Molay Encampment, Boston Commandery, and the Winslow Lewis Lodge, which were all thrown open to the guests of the chapter.

The pictures, of which there are hundreds on the walls, appeared to have a great attraction for the ladies, and after a social hour spent in hand-shaking and mutual congratulations, the brethren departed for their homes about midnight, and brought to a close one of the most successful and enjoyable occasions that has taken place this season.

The following brethren composed the executive committee, and to these gentlemen is due the credit of bringing to a successful issue one of the most brilliant social events that has taken place in this city for many years.

Executive committee—Edgar O. Dewey, chairman.

Entertainment—E. Bentley Young, Frederick H. Spring, William White.

Orchestral music—Edgar O. Dewey, William P. Brechin, George P. Page.

Decoration—Samuel F. Hubbard, Charles Eaton, John Russell.

Printing—Theodore H. Emmons, Andrew J. Lloyd, William Bradford.

Apartments—Henry J. Parker, George E. Savory, Samuel F. Hubbard.

Banquet—Frederick H. Spring, E. Bentley Young, Samuel Hosea, Jr.

A word of praise should here be given to Edgar O. Dewey and Secretary Theo. H. Emmons, the latter having held his present position for 28 consecutive years, for their excellent management of the affair.

Amongst those present THE GLOBE representative noticed the following well-known ladies and gentlemen:

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers,
S. Raymond,
William I. Rand,
William C. Reeves,
William H. Rideout,
Mr. and Mrs. Follett,
Mrs. Andrew Paul,
Mrs. W. C. Ulmann,
Miss Mary A. Ulman,
Mrs. George H. Gruely,
Mrs. Horace Fisher,
Mrs. John Murphy,
Mrs. William Berriam,
Mrs. Nathaniel Allen,
G. H. Appleton,
Louis H. Adams,
Edward P. Adams,
Henry N. Allen,
Harrison H. Atwood,
Harry F. Adams,
Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Atwood,
D. Amsden,
Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Austin,
Charles Barnard,
Miss Minnie Dewey,
R. E. Demmon,
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Dewey,
J. S. Damrell and lady,
A. L. Comstock,
F. N. Chapman,
William C. Cooledge,
E. M. Caldwell,
Benjamin F. Cutler,
Henry N. Clark and lady,
Andrew Cutting,
Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Colby,
R. B. Carr,
Frank F. Cutler,
John B. Dearborn,
Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Darling,
Waldo E. Davis,
J. Francis Lotts,
Louis Klous,
R. H. Kerr,
C. E. Kettell,
W. F. Knowles,
George A. King,
George M. King,
A. V. Johnstone,
G. F. Ingalls,
B. Ives,
L. C. Hill,
A. B. Babcock,
T. J. Young,
C. C. Whittier,
W. B. Whitcomb,
Benjamin D. Wood,
Fred Whitney,
F. H. Putnam,
I. H. Odell,
A. A. Osgood,
E. F. Otis,
N. P. Nutter,
John F. Neill,
G. H. Merkell, M. D.,
D. S. McDonald,
Charles Morton,
Charles J. Miller,
Edw. A. Misener,
W. E. Murdock,
W. H. Moore,
James W. McIndoe,
F. H. Mudge,
H. Moore,
S. Morse,
E. B. McIntyre,
J. M. Murphy,
Warren R. Bennett,
D. H. Barnard,
C. A. Burgess,
Joel C. Bolan,
F. H. Burdett,
John H. Bowker,
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bearse,
Mr. and Mrs. J. Berwick,
Cabel Bowker,
W. H. Bertram,
Edward W. Brown,
James Milligan,
Wyzeman Marshall,
W. H. L. Smith and wife,
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Robbins
George W. Forrestall,
James A. Fox,
George Moulton,
George R. Marble,
William G. Swift,
S. F. Hubbard,
Horace J. Hooton,
M. R. Holmes,
T. F. Hinkley,
Albert N. Holt,
J. Harlow,
Gilman C. Hickok,
Frank S. Saunders,
Fred H. Spring,
Daniel A. Smith,
Isaac H. Locke,
R. T. Laffin,
Nathaniel Allen,
Robert T. Almy,
Edward C. Boyden,
G. H. W. Bates,
E. M. Brigham,
W. G. Benedict,
Alonzo Rounds,
George J. Raymond,
George T. Richardson,
E. C. Paige,
Walter S. Parker,
A. A. Pocock,
George W. Parker,
Robert Smith,
D. W. Shaffer,
N. H. Stevenson,
George I. Sanborn,
George E. Savory,
J. K. Scott,
E. R. Smyth,
Robert Seaver,
G. A. Smith,
G. W. Spence,
James M. Simpson,
Sidney A. Stetson,
Arthur B. Robinson,
Joseph R. Richards,
Seth Rich,
Lyman S. Hapgood,
Edwin L. Howard,
George D. Hall,
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hosea, Jr.,
William Hutchinson,
Francis J. Hartshorne,
Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Harper and daughter,
John F. Ham,
Albert Horton,
Joseph Hubbard,
Fred H. Henshaw,
Alfred Higgins,
A. Judson Hathaway,
William H. Gerrish,
E. F. Gould,
Frank E. Garden,
Daniel Gregory,
William P. Gannett,
George H. Gardner,
George A. Griffith,
Lewis A. Frohock,
J. A. Follette, M. D.,
Charles B. Folsom,
C. S. French,
Charles O. Eaton,
A. B. Endicott,
F. I. Dinsmore,
I. H. K. Downes,
Miss Simons,
Mrs. Bentley Young,
Mrs. Charles A. Eaton,
Miss Eaton,
Mrs. W. E. Bryant,
Mrs. A. L. Bearse,
Miss White,
Miss Ella Nickerson,
Mrs. Frank Dunlap,
Miss Mamie Trask,
Mrs. Charles F. Atwood,
Mrs. E. H. Doolittle,
Miss Etta Sherman,
Miss Emma Knight,
Mrs. Charles Pierce,
Mrs. Studley,
Mr. and Mrs. O'Dell,
Mrs. George H. Tosh,
Mrs. W. G. Whitney,
Mrs. Mead,
Mrs. Merriam,
Mrs. George P. Eustis,
Mrs. Forrestell,
Mrs. Calvin Sawyer,
Mrs. Warren Cass,
Mrs. Benjamin D. Wood,
Miss Georgie Livermore,
C. H. Day and lady,
W. H. Durell and lady,
Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Dana
Gardner M. Davis,
Albert A. Browne,
Mr. and Mrs. H. Warren,
O. A. Whitmore,
Henry M. White,
R. N. Wiswell,
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Young,
John Taylor,
William Fynes,
A. K. Tilden,
J. H. Coombs and lady,
George B. Brown,
Samuel A. B. Bragg,
Henry A. Bolan,
Julius R. Bloom,
Thomas Watson,
John H. Winchenbach,
Edward E. Wells,
E. C. Wheelock,
Isaac Watts,
D. G. Thurston,
E. E. Roundy,
Joshua H. Putnam,
E. S. Neal,
Mr. and Mrs. G. Mansfield,
A. J. Lloyd,
W. H. Woodbury,
W. G. Whitney,
William White,
Herbert Merritt,
John S. LeFavor,
Edgar R. Kimball,
Junius W. Hill,
George B. Harrington,
T. M. Everett,
O. P. Decker,
U. H. Coffin,
Charles Bolton,
Wilber C. Babcock,
L. Merton White,
Charles A. Wheeler,
Almon Wright,
William Wright,
W. T. R. Marvin,
John M. Rodocanachi,
E. B. Leighton,
Levi H. West,
Joseph H. Warren, M. D.,
William C. Ulman,
John W. Turner,
E. P. Tourtellot,
George H. Fowle,
George N. Thompson,
W. H. Thomas,
A. R. Stover,
W. G. Shillaber,
Frederick C. Savage,
Charles F. Sargent,
Alfred M. Smith,
Edward H. Studley,
George H. Smith,
W. F. Sleeper,
G. B. Livermore and daughter,
George F. Hurd,
A. P. Burleigh,
B. D. Bradt,
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brechin
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bishop,
J. H. Chester and daugh'r
Miss M. L. Coombs,
Miss Lillian Alden,
Charles R. Cutter,
F. Stadtmuller, Jr.,
George A. Wyman,
F. Herbert Winsor,
John S. Pike,
W. Merritt, Jr., and sister,
Alex Moore,
R. F. Robinson,
Jary M. Raymond,
Warren E. Rhodes,
Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Payne,
Theo. L. Southack,
E. H. Saxton,
J. M. Stone,
Isaac Riley,
John Russell,
Frederic Riley,
F. W. E. Thompson,
W. H. Topham,
William F. Tyner,
L. H. Plaisted,
Enoch Paige,
John P. Prichard,
George W. Peck,
George P. Page,
F. E. Page,
O. C. Pullen,
Henry J. Parker,
Charles A. Pickett,
F. F. Preble,
George W. Prescott,
Charles J. Fuller,
Fred Seaver,
W. H. H. Stark,
George F. Stebbins,
Francis E. Merriman,
Samuel E. Somerby,
J. F. L. Johnson,
John A. Johnson,
T. H. Capper,
John J. Cilley,
Frank N. Evans,
Eben B. Crane,
T. S. Darne,
Edward T. Gray,
John R. Newman,
J. E. Mann and lady,
William M. Miller,
W. H. King,
Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Eustis
Francis A. Goodline,
George A. Gibson,
Joseph W. Goss,
Henry G. Fay,
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fisher,
Enoch Earle,
B. F. Hunt, Jr.,
D. O. Hanson,
James C. Tucker and wife,
William Paul,
Sidney Peterson,
George B. Pickett,
J. D. Percival,
Charles L. Perkins and lady,
George W. Pemberton,
Charles H. Roslindale,
W. P. Pitman,
Andrew Paul,
William Pratt,
A. C. J. Pope,
Mrs. E. C. Upton,
Mrs. Samuel Hosea,
Mrs. E. C. Page,
Mrs. A. C. J. Pope,
Mrs. Dr. Brechin,
Mrs. H. A. Lloyd,
Mrs. O. A. Whitmore,
Mrs. Robert T. Almy,
Mrs. A. A. Osgood,
Miss Maude Hopkins,
Max Raymond,
Mrs. J. Berwick,
Mrs. Fred Seaver,
Mrs. Robert Seaver,
Miss Allie Bennett,
Miss M. Josephine Brown,
Miss Lena M. Stadtmiller,
Mrs. Rufus Carr,
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Billings,
Miss Ada Pickett,
Mrs. S. S. White.

The Costumes.

One of the most striking features of the whole reception was the bright and many colored costumes worn by the ladies, many of which were remarkable for their richness and taste. Conspicuous among them were Mrs. Dr. Brechin, a very pretty and attractive lady, who wore a very [illegible] faille francaise, with sprigs of [illegible] cream brocaded ground, pale blue [illegible] silk front, pearl passementerie [illegible]

At her corsage cut V shape, was larg bunch of Catherine Mermet roses with her long train was attached to her arm b a large rosette. Accompanying this cos tume was a very elegant opera cloak trimmed with white swan's down. A hug diamond cross adorned the neck, whil brilliants sparkled in her ears.

Mrs. Edgar Dewey, wife of the high pries very handsome black brocaded velvet, pr fusely trimmed with jet, corsage bouque of Marechal Niel roses, diamond pendant

Mrs. George A. Gillette, black satin over dress of Chantilly lace, jet trimmings.

Miss Mathilde Rembach, pale blue cash mere, broad silk sash, Jacqueminot roses.

Miss Amelia Winslow looked very prett in a peacock blue satin, et passementer e the same color.

Miss Kittie Edmands was becomingl dressed in a reception dress of green clot trimmed with beaver, green silk panel o the side, with corsage bouquet of hyacinth

Mrs. W. J. Rand, black satin, jet trim mings, corsage bouquet of Jacqueminot, Marechal Niel roses and maiden hair fern.

Mrs. C. M. Treadwell wore a black silk, heavily beaded, with large corsage bouquet of roses, and flashing diamond ornaments completed this becoming costume.

Miss Mamie Fontaine, a very pretty young lady, was charmingly dressed in a dark blue velvet, with white plaited watered silk front.

Mrs. Francis E. Paige wore a very fine black lace dress over black satin, lace sleeves and magnificent diamond earrings, with corsage bouquet of Jacqueminot roses.

Miss Pheips, who accompanied Mrs. Paige, wore white cashmere trimmed with white satin.

Mrs. George P. Paige wore a heavy black silk and black jet ornaments. Her earrings, necklace and cross were of pearls.

A Pretty Young Blonde.

Miss Mary Gerrish, a pretty young blonde, was noticeable in white cashmere, lace trimmings and carnation pinks at her corsage.

Mrs. L. G. Blair wore a steel satin of remarkably elegant material, with heavy bouquet of pinks.

Miss Ella F. Savory was tastefully attired in a black sick profusely trimmed with jet, cut square neck, Catherine Mermet roses at the side.

Mrs. W. H. Robbins wore a rich brown brocaded velvet cut V shape in the neck, fil ed with tulle.

Mrs. A. P. How was noticeable for her fine diamonds and black satin, relieved by a large bouquet of Jacqueminot roses.

Mrs. D. S. McDonald appeared very stylish in a black plush dress, with a petticoat front of brocaded and watered cream silk, on which were scattered pink roses.

Mrs. G. A. Taggart, black velvet; pinks and passementerie completed the toilet.

Mrs. W. E. Bryant wore a very stylish and becoming costume of terra cotta, trimmed with watered silk of the same color, point lace vest.

Mrs. Charles Pierce, black Chantilly lace over black satin, corsage bouquet of white roses and feathers; a becoming bonnet accompanied this costume.

Mrs. C. F. Atwood, black Spanish lace over white satin dress trimmed down the side with poppies and a huge corsage bouquet of the same, and large diamonds in her ears.

Miss Mary E. Gregory, a tall and pretty blonde, peacock blue satin skirts with crimson satin basque.

Mrs. S. G. Gregory, black silk jet ornaments.

Miss A. A. Pocock a black silk and jet trimmings.

Miss Minnie Dewey, a pretty young lady, and the daughter of the high priest, was becomingly attired in pink cashmere, cut square neck, Nile green trimmings down the front and pearl ornaments.

Mrs. J. F. Neill, peacock-blue satin with an opera bonnet of white.

Miss C. F. Merkel looked charming in a pale blue watered silk, cut V shaped back and front, with fine large pearl cross attached to necklace; corsage bouquet of perles du jardin roses.

Mrs. J. C. Bolan, black silk dress, steel trimmings, diamond ornaments.

Miss Etta Sherman, in heliotrope cashmere, with a darker shade of velvet trimmings, looked very pretty.

With Diamond Ornaments.

Mrs. Frank E. Mudge looked very elegant and stately in a black velvet and diamond ornaments.

Miss Ada Pickett, a very pretty lady, was richly dressed in a black silk heavily trimmed with jet, pink plastron, with pink and blue opera bonnet.

Miss Cowles' black chantilly lace over black satin looked charming.

Mrs. F. K. Barrows, cream nun's veiling, and diamond pendant at neck, hair arranged high, with diamond ornaments.

Miss Minnie Whitney, brown silk trimmed w h striped brown velvet, diamonds and h acinths.

Mrs. H. A. Dunwell, black silk, old gold trimmings, lace silk over old gold, corsage bouquet of pinks and roses.

Mrs. Seth Perkins wore a garnet surah satin costume, low corsage cut V shape front and back, filled in with pink lace, pink satin trimmings, with handsome bouquet of cream roses at breast and fan of pink ostrich feathers.

Miss Annie T. Mooers of Lawrence wore a black India silk, trimmed with Roman sash.

Miss V. E. Shackford wore a black costume of rich material, hat to match.

Miss Nellie Ramsey wore a rich black silk, trimmed with passamenterie and diamond ornaments.

Mrs. W. C. Wardwell wore a gobelin blue surah silk.

Mrs. Grodjinski wore a terra cotta satin, with black trimmings, and a bouquet of pink roses.

Miss Knights wore a garnet satin, trimmed with plush, and brocaded plush waist with shirred vest of white satin.

Mrs. Charles O. Eaton wore a handsome satin rhadame costume, trimmed with black jet.

Miss Eaton wore a white India silk skirt with figured overdress of same material, white undressed mousquetaire gloves and corsage bouquet of Marechal Neil roses.

Mrs. Erastus H. Doolittle wore a rich costume of black watered silk skirts and jet basque.

Mrs. Shattuck wore a black silk dress, trimmed with jet, black velvet bonnet, spangled with steel, trimmed with white ribbon, black lace and white tips.

Mrs. Enoch Page wore a costume of black Spanish lace over lavender satin, with jet ornaments.

Mrs. L. Klouse wore a blue striped silk with bouquet of pink roses, diamond orna-

Mrs. Charles Phipps wore a black silk, with lace puffs on sleeves.

Miss Hattie K. Wilson wore a white alba-ross costume, square cut neck filled in with lace, red sash at side, large corsage bouquet of Jacqueminot roses, tan undressed mousquetaire gloves.

Life Story of the Chapter.

St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter is one of the largest and most prosperous chapters in the fraternity, all its members, some 525, are life members without dues, and its treasury contains over $35,000. It contains on its membership roll many prominent men in business, social and political life.

The officers of the chapter for the present year are;

Edgar O. Dewey, M. E. H. priest; William P. Brechin, M. D., E. king; Samuel F. Hubbard, E. scribe; Albert A. Browne, captain of host; Samuel Hosea, Jr., principal sojourner; George E. Savory, royal arch captain; William G. Whitney, master third veil; Edward H. Studley, master second veil; E. Clifford Paige, master first veil; Edward C. Wheelock, senior steward; Pierce Jones, junior steward; Charles J. Miller, chaplain; William G. Gerrish, organist; Henry J. Parker, master of wardrobe; John H. Chester, tyler; Henry G. Fay, treasurer; Alfred T. Turner, James C. Tucker, Reuben E. Demmon, board of trustees; Alexander K. Bryer, Daniel Gregory, Emery D. Leighton, charity committee.

The list of past high priests since the organization of t e chapter in 1818 contain many well-known names, and are as follows: Paul Dean, 1818-20; John Howe, 1821; Abraham A. Dame, 1822-23; Enoch Hobart, 1824; Simon W. Robinson, 1825-26; Edward A. Raxmond, 1827-28; Gilbert Nourse, 1829-30; Enoch Hobart, 1831-32; Francis R. Bigelow, 1833-34; Daniel Harwood, 1835-37; Winslow Lewis, 1838-39; John Flint, 1840-41; Abraham A. Dame, 1842-43; Edward A. Raymond, 1844-45; Stephen Lovell, 1846-49; Charles Bates, 1850-51; Samuel W. Gleason, 1852; Stephen Lovell, 1853-55; William H. L. Smith, 1856-57; Wyzeman Marshall, 1858-59; John K. Hall, 1860-61; Caleb Rand, 1862-64; Henry Endicott, 1865-66; Frederick A. Pierce, 1867-68; James A. Fox, 1869-70; Alexander K. Bryer, 1871-72; Edwin Wright, 1873-74; William Ellison, 1875; Edwin Wright, 1876; Charles J. Miller, 1877-78; George R. Marble, 1879-80; E. Bentley Young, 1881-82; J. Francis Lotts, 1883-84; Frederick H. Spring, 1885-86; Edgar O. Dewey, 1887-88.

ST. PAUL'S R. A. CHAPTER.

Reception and Entertainment at Masonic Temple.

Its Spacious Halls Crowded Last Evening.

Brilliant Assembly of Companions and Their Ladies.

A reception and entertainment was given by St. Paul's royal arch chapter last evening in Masonic Temple, which was one of the most brilliant of similar entertainments ever held in that building. About 900 guests were present, and the halls of the building were crowded to overflowing. A very interesting programme was given by a long array of artists of the first rank, an elaborate banquet was served, and everything possible was done for the entertainment and pleasure of the company. The arrangements were perfected under the care of a committee, with M. E. H. P. Edgar O. Dewey as chairman, assisted by ex-Comps. E. Bentley Young, Frederick H. Spring and Comps. William White, William P. Brechin, George P. Page, Samuel F. Hubbard, Charles Eaton, John Russell, Theodore H. Emmons, Andrew J. Lloyd, William Bradford, Henry J. Parker, George E. Savory, Samuel Hosea, Jr. This committee was assisted by sub-committees of members of the chapter. A reception committee, composed of past high priests, received the guests and ladies as they entered the building. This committee included ex-Comps, William H. L. Smith, chairman; Wyzeman Marshall, John K. Hall, Henry Endicott, James A. Fox, Alexander K. Bryer, Edwin Wright, Charles J. Miller, George R. Marble, E. Bentley Young, J. Francis Lotts, Frederick H. Spring. Comp. Thomas J. Young acted as chief usher, assisted by the following aids: Egyptian Hall, Comps. George P. Eustis, Francis E. Page, Francis E. Merriman, Anson L. Bearse, Frank E. Garden, Seth Perkins, George I. Sanborn, Frank Stadtmiller, Jr. Gothic Hall—Comps. John F. Ham, Albro A. Osgood, Eugene C. Upton, Henry A. Bolan, Almon Wight, George H. Payne, DeWitt Shaffer, William R. H. Stark. Banquet Hall—Comps. Edward E. Wells, George H. Gibson, Frank H. Mudge, Samuel H. Spring, Cyrus P. Austin, Charles E. Kettell, George A. King, Frank F. Cutter. St. Paul's royal arch chapter, though not the oldest among the royal arch chapters of Massachusetts, is an offshoot from the oldest chapter in the state, St. Andrew's, whose charter is dated 1769. Beside St. Andrew's, the other chapters that take precedence over St. Paul's are Adoniram chapter, New Bedford, whose charter is dated 1816, and King Cyrus chapter of Newburyport, whose charter was issued in 1790, and Morning Star chapter, Springfield, dating from 1817.

St. Paul's Charter

was dated Dec 18, 1818, and was signed by the grand officers, including Henry Fowle, deputy grand priest; Joseph Brown, grand king; Robert Lash, grand scribe, and John J. Loring, grand secretary. The charter members were Paul Dean, Daniel Baxter, Cheever Felch, Michael Roulstone, John Howe, Amos Clarke, Ethan Cobb, Samuel Smith, Elisha V. Glover, Nathaniel Hammond, Daniel Baxter, Jr., John Webber, Francis Wyman, Hosea Ballou, Snelling Powell, Aaron Bean, Benjamin Stevens and Thomas Hooper. Paul Dean was appointed the first high priest, Daniel Baxter first king, and Rev. Cheever Felch first scribe. Though the members of the new chapter were nearly all drawn from St. Andrew's chapter, the new body was formed without any friction, and the promoters were very careful to go out with the most cordial approval of their companions in the older body. A letter was sent to St. Andrew's chapter, under date of Oct. 7, 1818, signed by Samuel Smith, John Howe and Daniel Baxter, Jr., notifying that body that the establishment of a new chapter in Boston was contemplated. No opposition having been aroused, the first public meeting was held at Masons' Hall, Oct. 19, 1818, and a petition, then prepared and signed by 18 companions, was presented to St. Andrew's chapter Nov. 11, 1818. This petition was unanimously approved by that body at the same meeting without debate. It was presented to the grand chapter Dec. 8, 1818, and also unanimously approved by that body, and a dispensation issued. The chapter first assembled as a regular society, in the hall of the Commercial Coffee House, Boston, Dec. 15, 1818, when organization was completed as follows: Rev. Paul Dean, most excellent high priest; Daniel Baxter, king; Rev. Cheever Felch, scribe; Michael Roulstone, treasurer; John Howe, secretary; Rev. Amos Clarke, royal arch captain; Ethan Cobb, captain of the host; Samuel Smith, principal sojourner; Elisha V. Glover, master of 3d veil; Nathaniel Hammond, master of 2d veil; Daniel Baxter, Jr., master of 1st veil; Aaron Bean and Benjamin Stevens, stewards; Rev. Hosea Ballou, chaplain; Ebenezer Oliver, tyler.

The Charter Was Granted

at a special convocation of the M. E. grand chapter, held Jan. 25, 1819, and on the same date the chapter was dedicated and the officers installed by the grand chapter. The chapter has ever been an active and efficient body, and is now the second chapter in the state in the number of its members. St. Andrew's being first. Among other interesting events culled from the records by the secretary, Companion Theodore H. Emmons, are the following: The chapter, with other Masonic bodies, assisted at the laying of the corner-stone of Bunker Hill monument, June 17, 1825. In 1827 it was voted to contribute to the building of the Masonic Temple on the corner of Temple place and Tremont street, and $3000 was voted for this purpose. About this time the anti-Masonic excitement was at its height, and though the chapter continued to hold its regular convocations, very little work was done. The meetings were largely taken up with lectures delivered by prominent members of the chapter. The first record of meeting in the Masonic Temple was Jan. 17, 1832. Since that time the history of the chapter has been one of uniform prosperity. The first high priest of St. Paul's chapter, Rev. Paul Dean, who filled that office from the constitution of the chapter until Sept. 18, 1821, was a very prominent Mason in his day, and especially in capitular Masonry. He was a native of Vermont, being born at Barnard, March 28, 1782. He commenced the Christian ministry in 1806 at Montpelier, removing to New Hartford, N. Y., in 1810, and coming to Boston in 1813. He was for many years pastor of the First Universalist Church in Boston, and was subsequently settled over the Central Universalist Society, being its pastor from 1823 to 1840. Later in life he resided in South Framingham. He was a member of the Boston school committee for several years, and was also a member of many religious societies. He was among the

Most Prominent Upholders

of the order during the anti-Masonic troubles. He received the blue lodge degrees in Centre lodge, East Rutland, Vt., in 1805; the chapter degrees in Horeb chapter, New Hartford, Vt., in 1811, and the council and templar degrees after coming to Boston. He was elected first high priest in 1818, and held that office until Sept. 18, 1821, when he resigned in consequence of his election as deputy grand high priest of the general grand chapter of the United States. He was afterward elected general grand high priest, holding that office for nine successive years. He was also grand high priest of the grand chapter of this state for three years; president of the convention of high priests of Massachusetts for six years; grand chaplain of the grand lodge of Massachusetts; district deputy grand master of the first district in 1821-1823; deputy grand master in 1835-1837: most worshipful grand master of Massachusetts in 1838-1840; T. I. grand master of Boston council of royal and select masters for three years; prelate of grand encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island for three years and prelate of the grand encampment of the United States for seven years. He died Oct. 1, 1860, full of years and honors. A long line of illustrious Masons have followed M. E. Comp Dean as the presiding officer of St. Paul's chapter. During the 69 years of its existence the chapter has had 29 high priests of whom 17 are deceased. These are Rev. Paul Dean, John Howe, Abraham A. Dame, Enoch Hobart, Simon W. Robinson, Edward A. Raymond, Gilbert Nurse, Francis R. Bigelow, Daniel Harwood, Winslow Lewis, John Flint, Edward A. Raymond, Stephen A. Lovell, Charles Bates, Samuel W. Gleason, Caleb Rand, Frederick A. Pierce and William Ellison. Those who are living are: Ex-Comps. W. H. L. Smith, Wyzeman Marshall, John K. Hall, Henry Endicott, James A. Fox, Alexander K. Bryer, Edwin Wright, Charles J. Miller, George R. Marble, E. Bentley Young, J. Francis Lotts and Frederick H. Spring. Among these 29 high priests have been many who have been advanced to high honors in Masonic circles, including the present grand master of Massachusetts. During the past six years St. Paul's chapter has exalted 250 candidates, and during the years 1886 and 1887 88 candidates. The present membership is 522, with about $30,000 in the treasury.

The present officers are: Edgar O. Dewey, M. E. high priest; William P. Brechin, king; Samuel F. Hubbard, scribe; Henry G. Fay, treasurer; Theodore H. Emmons, secretary; Albert A. Browne, captain of host; Samuel Hosea, Jr., principal sojourner; George E. Savory, royal arch captain; William G. Whitney, master 3d veil; Edward H. Studley, master 2d veil; E. Clifford Paige, master 1st veil; Edward C. Wheelock and Pierce Jones, stewards; Charles J. Miller, chaplain; William H. Gerrish, organist; Henry J. Parker, master of wardrobe; John H. Chester, tyler.

The Reception.

The guests began to gather last evening at about 7:30 o'clock. As they came up the main stairway they were met by the reception committee, composed of the past high priests, with M. E. William H. L. Smith, chairman. A reception was held in Sutton Hall from 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock. The invited guests were introduced to the council, and an informal reception was held, followed by a promenade concert by Carter's orchestra, Comp. Thomas M. Carter, conductor, with the following programme: Polonaise, "Carnival"; overture, "Orpheus in die Unterwalt"; waltz, "Buergesiun"; selection, "Erminie"; cornet solo, "The Swallower, by Mr. John M. Flockton; Russian dance, "Pas de Patineurs," with piccolo obligato by Mr. O. J. Ball. At the close of the reception the grand officers and invited guests were escorted to Egyptian Hall, where an elaborate programme was given by the following artists: Mrs. Maude M. Starkweather, soprano; Miss M. Gertrude Edmands, contralto; Mrs. Alma Faunce-Smith and Mrs. Abby Clark-Ford, pianists; Mr. William H. Fessenden, tenor; Mr. Charles N. Allen, violin; Mr. Wulf Fries, violoncello; Mr. Thomas B. Senia, xylophone; Miss Carrie E. Hale, Mr. Wyzeman Marshall and Mr. Edward K. Hood, elocutionists; and the Temple quartet, consisting of Mr. W. R. Bateman, tenor; Mr. E. F. Webber, tenor; Mr. H. A. Cook, baritone; Mr. A. C. Ryder, basso. Owing to the great number present it was found necessary to open both Egyptian and Gothic halls for the entertainment. Consequently the programme was repeated in both halls, with slight changes in the order of arrangements.

The Programme.

The programme, which was quite long, included the following numbers: Music, vocal march, "Now Forward," by the Temple quartet; music, duet, "Autumn," by Mrs. Starkweather and Miss Edmands; reading, impersonations, by Mr. Hood; music, solo, "Swiss Echo Song," Mrs. Starkweather; music, solo, "Dreams," Miss Edmands; reading, "The Engineer's Story," Mr. Marshall; music, trio in G major for piano, violin and violincello, by Mrs. Alma Faunce-Smith and Messrs. Allen and Fries; music, solo, "The Three Ages of Love," Mr. Fessenden; reading, "Chariot Race from Ben Hur," Miss Hale; music, xylophone solo," Non piu mesta," Mr. Senia. The different numbers were all very finely rendered, and were heartily received and applauded. At the close of the entertainment the companions and ladies repaired to the banquet hall, where an elegant collation had been served by Tufts, the caterer. The audience was so large, however, that notwithstanding the fact that ample provision had been made, it was found necessary, on account of the lack of room, to divide the party into three sections in order that all might be served.

The Invited Guests.

Among the guests present were M. E. Grand High Priest Arthur G. Pollard; R. E. William R. Johnson, deputy grand high priest; R. E. Dr. John B. Whitaker, grand king; R. E. Hon. Solomon A. Bolster, grand scribe; R. W. Sereno D. Nickerson, grand recording secretary; Warren B. Ellis, M. E. H. P.; Eugene A. Holton, king, and Charles E. Phipps, scribe, of St. Andrew's chapter, Boston; Edmon F. Peters, M. E. H. P. of the chapter of the Signet, Charlestown; Charles H. Kimball, M. E. H. P. of St. Matthew's chapter, South Bostoh; Henry Kenney, Jr., M. E. H. P. of St. John's chapter, East Boston; William Donaldson, M E. H. P. of Mt. Vernon chapter, Roxbury; Levi Stearns, M. E. H. P. of St. Stephen's chapter, Quincy; William B. Lawrence, M. E. H. P. of Mystic chapter, Medford; Eugene H. Richards, eminent commander of Boston commandery, Knights Templars; Edward C. Morris, eminent commander of St. Bernard commandery; Frank T. Dwinell, eminent commander of De Molay commandery; Frederick H. Spring, eminent commander of Joseph Warren commandery; John H. Lakin, 32d degree, illustrious commander-in-chief of Massachusetts consistory; Erastus H. Doolittle, 33d degree, most wise and perfect master of Mt. Olivet chapter, Rose Croix; Joseph W. Work, 32d degree, M. E. Sov. Pr., grand master of Giles F. Yates council, Princes of Jerusalem; John L. Stevenson, 33d degree; Frederick G. Walbridge, 33d degree; George S. Carpenter, 33d degree; Albert C. Smith, 33d degree; Leonard M. Averell, 33d degree; Benjamin W. Rowell, 32d degree; Rev. Oliver A. Roberts, 32d degree; Charles E. Pierce, 32d degree; Henry E. Hosley, 32d degree; Joshua F. Sampson, 32d degree; Harvey N. Shepard, 32d degree; Comps. Otis Eddy, Henry A. Kidder, Thomas S. Spurr, George A. Gillette, Lafayette S. Blair.

The various halls were beautifully decorated, the three lower halls being draped in festoons and wreaths of laurel pendant from the chandeliers, with baskets of natural flowers. The officers' stands were draped with smilax and pinks. Over the platforms were elaborate pieces, showing symbols well known to members of the order. But it was in the banquet hall that the most elaborate decorations were seen. The ceiling and window alcoves were hung profusely with streamers of the national colors and lace. The tables were decorated with many floral designs and baskets of flowers, and presented a very beautiful appearance.

All the arrangements were carried out smoothly, and without friction of any kind, and reflect credit upon the various committees. A detail of police and sergeant were on duty, and also a detail of firemen were present, to act in case of accident.

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IS IT HAGGAI'S SIGNET?

A shaft sunk outside the great walls of the city of Jerusalem, near the southwest angle, disclosed an ancient pavement 23 feet beneath the present surface, and 20 feet below that a second pavement. There, amid fragments of pottery and glass, a gentleman's seal was found. It is about the size worn today in gentlemen's rings, and is a finely-grained, black stone, inscribed "Haggai, the son of Shebnaiah." The letters resemble those employed during the age of the captivity in Babylon. The prophet Haggai was one of the exiles who returned with Zerubbabel. "He is," says Mr. King, "the only one of the minor prophets who mentions a signet, and one can imagine him holding the ring upon his finger before his leader's eyes to emphasize the words which close the book of the prophecy which has come down to us under his name: 'I will take thee, O Zerubbabel, my servant, the son of Shealtiel, saith the Lord, and will make thee as a signet; for I have chosen thee, saith the Lord of hosts.'"—[Ancient Cities.

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MASONIC.

Quarterly Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

A regular Quarterly Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts was held Tuesday evening at Masonic Temple, at which the following Election Officers were in their stations: Arthur G. Pollard, Lowell, M. E. Grand High Priest; Wm. R. Johnson, Newburyport, R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest; John B. Whitaker, Fall River, R. E. King; Solomon A. Bolster, Roxbury, R. E. Grand Scribe; Richard Briggs, Boston, R. E. Grand Treasurer; Alfred F. Chapman, Boston, R. E. Grand Secretary.

M. E. Comp. Pollard, the Grand High Priest, announced the following appointments, and they were subsequently installed by M. E. Alfred F. Chapman, Past Gen. Gr. H. P., assisted by M. E. Frederick H. Spring, Gr. Capt. of the H.: Eleazer H. Brazer, Chelsea, R. E. Dis. Dep. Gr. High Priest, Dis. No. 1; Alonzo H. Smith, Salem, No. 2; Jacob Silloway, Canton, No. 3; Geo. M. Rice, 2d, Worcester, No. 4; George Wilby, Greenfield, No. 5; Timothy A. Coolidge, Marlboro', No. 6; John W. Chapman, Hyannis, No. 7; J. Gilman Waite, Medford, No. 8; Alfred A. Burrill, Milford, No. 9; Henry T. Robbins, Great Barrington, No. 10; Rev. Smith Baker, Lowell, Rev. Joseph F. Lovering, Worcester, and Rev. Charles A. Skinner, Somerville, E. and Rev. Grand Chaplains; Frederick H. Spring, Boston, E. Grand Captain of Host; Eugene A. Holton, Boston, and Seranus Bowen, Boston, E. Grand Lecturers; William H. Ruddick, South Boston, E. Grand Principal Sojourner; Charles H. Richardson, Lowell, E. Grand Royal Arch Captain; Henry Jones, Northampton, E. Grand Master Third Veil; Frederic J. Foss, Malden, E. Grand Master Second Veil; William Cushing, Weymouth, E. Grand Master First Veil; M. Perry Sargent, Merrimac, and Edward A. Fitts, Haverhill, E. Grand Stewards; Alexander K. Bryer, Boston, Companion Grand Tyler.

The following committees were also announced: Committee on Finance, R. E. A. L. Richardson, E. Wm. E. Livingstone, R. E. Charles Harris; Committee on Charity, R. E. Marlborough Williams, R. E. Fred. G. Walbridge, E. Edward Storer; Committee on By-laws, R. E. Charles W. Romney, R. E. John Haigh, E. Rosewell B. Lawrence; Committee on Returns, E. Warren B. Ellis, E. Richard A. Atwood, E. Herbert F. Morse; Committee on Library and Archives, M. E. Alfred F. Chapman; Committee on Foreign Correspondence, M. E. Rev. John W. Dadmun.

A memorial paper was read in memory of the late M. E. Joel Spaulding of Lowell, prepared by Rev. and R. E. Comp. A. St. John Chambre.

At the close of the Grand Chapter a session of the Massachusetts Convention of High Priests was held and the order confirmed.

Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts.

A quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts was held in Masonic Temple, this city, Wednesday afternoon, the Grand Master, M. W. Henry Endicott, presiding. The business was mostly of a routine character. The attendance was large, considering the interruption of travel. After the close of the Grand Lodge, the District Deputy Grand Masters' Association held a meeting for conference and the subsequent enjoyment of a social feast, with addresses by several Past Deputies.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF WORCESTER VISIT MELROSE CHAPTER

May 7-1923-Monday

Officers and nearly 50 members of Worcester Royal Arch Chapter of Masons paid a fraternal visit to the officers and members of Waverly Royal Arch Chapter in Melrose Saturday night, and were entertained at dinner prior to the Masonic ceremonies of the evening.

Philip H. DeLong, Excellent High Priest, and his officers conducted the most excellent degree. Earl Martin, District Deputy Grand High Priest, observed the ceremonial.

After the ritualistic part of the ceremonies G. Henry Warren, Excellent High Priest of Waverly Chapter, introduced Charles E. Nye, who was Hihg Priest of Worcester Chapter in 1873 and 1874. Excellent Companion Nye announced that Worcester Chapter will celebrate its centennial convocation next September and that he is planning to be there.

George A. Warren, Past High Priest of Satucket Chapter of Brockton, father of High Priest Warren of Waverly, was also introduced to Waverly Chapter and he reminded them how he had installed his son as High Priest of the chapter as well as Worshipful Master of Fidelity Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Melrose, two years ago.

A return visit of Waverly Chapter to Worcester Chapter on Saturday, June 2, was announced.

1/22 MASONIC CELEBRATION. 1892

The Menotomy Royal Arch Chapter of Arlington Celebrates its Twenty-fifth Anniversary.

The Menotomy Royal Arch Chaper of Masons of Arlington celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary last evening in a royal manner. All the members, numbering 90, were present and accompanied by ladies. The chapter was organized in 1867, and many of the charter members were present.

At half-past seven the members with their ladies assembled in the rooms of the chapter in the Masonic Building on Arlington avenue, where the celebration was opened by an address of welcome by R. Walter Hilliard, Most Excellent High Priest, followed by an historical address by R. E. Seranus Bowen. The entertainment was given by an excellent company of artists. The A B C Quartette rendered several fine selections.

The party a journed to the Town Hall at 10 o'clock, where a collation was served. Carter's Orchestra, Mr. T. Ralph Parris, basso Miss Selle Platt, reader, and Mrs. T. Ralph Parris, accompanist, furnished the entertainment at the hall.

After the entertainment addresses were made by Mr. Richard Biggs, one of the charter members and the first Past High Grand Priest; Mr. Henry Hunt, District H gh Grand Priest, and J. Gilman Wait, one of the Past High Grand Priests. At 11 o'clock dancing commenced and continued until 2 o'clock, Mr. George W. Storer acting as Floor Director, with Mr. Amos F. Russell, Edward H. Cutter, George H. Cutter, R. Walter Hilliard and W. S. Durgin as assistants.

Among the prominent mem ers noticed were: J. Gilman Wait, Eugene A. Hol ten, John Haigh, Charles Phillips an d members of the chapters in the district. About 250 people took part in the celebration.

The present officers are: M. E. High Priest, R. Walter Hilliard; Excellent King, Henry A. Ki lder; Excellent Scribe, Winfield S. Durgin; Treasurer, George W. Storer; Secretary, Joseph W. Whitaker; Captain of the Host, Charles W. Bunker; Principal Sojourner, George W. Sampson; R. A. Captain, J. Lincoln Collins; Master of Third Veil, Theo F. Allen; Master of Second Veil, William Balmer; Master of First Veil, Charles S. Cutter; Chaplain, George H. Rugg.

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MASONS OF HIGH DEGREE.

They Celebrate Organization of Menotomy Royal Arch Chapter at Arlington—Grand Ball Follows.

ARLINGTON, Jan. 21.—Menotomy Royal Arch Chapter of Masons celebrated the 25th anniversary of their organization tonight.

The exercises opened in Masonic Hall at 7.45 o'clock. The address of welcome was made by R. Walter Hilliard, most excellent high priest. Speeches were also made by Richard Briggs, first past high grand priest of the order, who was present at the organization in 1867, J. Gilman Waite, past deputy high priest, and Henry Hunt, past high priest.

An entertainment was given by the following artists: Arlington Boat Club quartet, Mr. T. Ralph Parris in bass solos, Miss Belle Platt, reader; Mrs. T. Ralph Parris, accompanist

After the exercises at Masonic Hall the party adjourned to Town Hall, where a collation was served. Dancing followed, about 125 couples being present, among whom were many prominent Masons from surrounding cities and towns.

The floor was in charge of Mr. George W. Storer, assisted by the following aids: Amos F. Russell, Edward H. Cutter, George H. Cutter, R. Walter Hilliard and Winfield S. Durgin.

Among the prominent members of the order present were R. E. Seranus Bowen, grand secretary of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts; R. E. Eugene Holton, deputy grand high priest; R. E. Richard Br ggs, grand treasurer; R. E. John Haigh, permanent member of the grand chapter; Right Excellent Companion George W. Storer of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter; R. E. Henry Hunt, district deputy grand high priest; Excellent Companions Lafayette G. Blair of Cambridge Chapter, Warren B. Ellis and Charles E. Phipps of St. Andrew's Chapter of Boston, and James P. Richardson of Mystic Chapter, Medford.

Among others present were:

Mr & Mrs T Ralph Parris	Mr & Mrs H A Kidder
Mr and Mrs C T Illsley	Mr & Mrs W S Durgin
Mr & Mrs G W Storer	Mr & Mrs G D Tufts
Mr & Mrs George Thayer	Mr & Mrs A F Russell
Mr Charles Prentiss	Mr George W Sampson
Miss May Elsie Parker	Mr and Mrs A Nichols
Mr & Mrs E H Cutter	Mr Ralph Shattuck
Mr & Mrs R W Hilliard	Miss Mary Shattuck
Mr & Mrs Edward Storer	Dr E D Hooker
Miss Gillette	Miss Carrie W Russell
Mr and Mrs J Marden	Mr and Mrs A W Knowles
Mr and Mrs F F Winn	Mr and Mrs L C Tyler
Mr and Mrs F Marden	Mr and Mrs E C Prescott
Miss Maud Illsley	Mr and Mrs C M Hall
Miss Cora Kimball	Mr Charlie Cutter
Miss Ella Ronco	Mr George Cutter
Mr Henry Wren	Mr and Mrs G Cushman
Mr A G Fisher	Miss J Whittaker
Mr and Mrs H B Peirce	Mr and Mrs H H Pattee
Mr and Mrs N L McKay	Mr C F Crosby
Mr Horace Freeman	Mr G D Moore
Mr and Mrs F Pettingill	Mr and Mrs W N Winn
Mr & Mrs G S Forristall	Mr and Mrs N L Chaffin
Mr and Mrs J L Collins	Mr and Mrs N Soules
Mr and Mrs C L Parker	Mr James A Bailey
Mr & Mrs J L Whittaker	Mr & Mrs O W Whittemore

Boston Journal.

TUESDAY EVENING, JAN. 26, 1869.

[Reported for The Boston Journal.]

Anniversary of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter.

Rarely has Corinthian Hall, in Masonic Temple, contained so large and brilliant a company of ladies and gentlemen as that assembled there last evening to participate in the festivities and ceremonies incident to the celebration of the fiftieth, or golden, anniversary of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter. To add to the interest and pleasure of the occasion the installation of the officers elect for the ensuing year was made public. About half an hour prior to the announcement of the ceremonies the Germanians entertained the assembling company by some of their pleasing selections.

At eight o'clock the hall was densely crowded by the brethren and their ladies and invited guests, and a number were unable to gain admission beyond the portals. The costumes of ladies were rich and elegant in the extreme.

The usual induction ceremonies were conducted in a solemn and impressive manner by Caleb Rand, E. H. P., who qualified for their respective offices the following officers elect:

Frederick A. Pierce, H. P.; James A. Fox, K.; Alexander K. Bryer, S.; Samuel W. Greene, C. of H.; Henry Warren, P. S.; Charles G. Hayden, R. A. C.; James Mills, M. of T. V.; J. T. Kimball, M. of S. V.; Charles A. Burgess, M. of F. V.; John K. Hall, Treasurer; Theodore H. Emmons, Secretary; W. Sawyer, S. S.; T. R. Jacobs, J. S.; Rev. Samuel C. Kelly, Chaplain.

The music performed during the installation ceremony was by a double quartette of cultivated vocalists under the direction of Mr. J. B. Sharland, and added materially to highten the evening's enjoyment.

At the conclusion of the installation ceremonies the company, numbering about five hundred, was invited to a splendid banquet laid in the "St. George," and prepared by Mr. William Tufts. The tables groaned beneath their burdens of delicacies and substantials. Magnificent and fragrant bouquets were placed at frequent intervals on each table, and in the centre of that at which was seated the officers, past and present, and a few distinguished guests, there was placed a very handsome floral ornament of mammoth proportions The richly laden tables, the elegant costumes of the ladies, set off to good advantage beneath the many gas jets, constituted a scene of great brilliancy and beauty.

The company was called to order by High Priest Frederick A. Pierce, who called upon the Chaplain, Rev. Mr. Kelly, to address the Throne of Grace. After doing ample justice to the viands, the company was reminded that after the creature comforts should come the "feast of reason," and the Chairman called upon the Secretary, Mr. Theodore H. Emmons, to read some extracts from the records of the Lodge at its first organization—fifty years since.

The speeches and sentiments were of an informal character. The first announced was "The Grand Chapter of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts." It was regretted that the Grand High Priest, Henry Chickering, could not have been present to respond in person, but in response to the invitation extended him he replied by letter, in which he gave the following sentiment: "St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter of Boston—The record of her first half century, whether we look at the quality of her work, her growth in numbers, or the character of the noble men who claim her as their parent in Capitular Masonry, is one of which the many will be proud. May the next half be in all respects equal to it. So mote it be."

A few very pleasing remarks were made by Charles Levi Woodbury, Deputy Grand Master of the Commonwealth.

His Honor Mayor Shurtleff was next called upon, and in response expressed his great pleasure and satisfaction at being present on this, the "golden wedding" of St. Paul's Chapter. It was a cardinal virtue of a Mason to be silent, and he would not weary the company with a long speech. He was pleased to see the wives, daughters, sisters and mothers of Masons present on this festive occasion. It was right that they should know somewhat of the workings of a system which took the gentlemen from home at times and kept them out until late at night. He believed in Masonry most emphatically, for it cultivated the cardinal virtues, and tended to make better men as fathers, husbands, brothers and members of society at large. He concluded by giving expression to a sentiment complimentary to the Chapter.

Alfred F. Chapman of St. Andrew's Chapter, Thos Winship of Melrose Chapter, and Wyzeman Marshall, a Past High Priest of St. Paul's Chapter, severally made interesting remarks.

Among the guests present were Rev. Wm. R. Alger, C. C. Dame, Colonel N. A. Thompson, W. H. L. Smith and others.

After the banquet the company passed a short time in dancing in the upper hall, to the pleasing strains of the Germanians.

The whole affair passed off in a most delightful manner.

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FRIDAY EVENING, NOV. 27, 1874.

SUNDAY ON THE ALLEGHANIES.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE BOSTON JOURNAL.

NASHVILLE, Nov. 23, 1874.

The Companions of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, delegates to the Convention of all the Grand Chapters of the United States, to be held in this city to-morrow, arrived here this morning, all in good health after a safe and delightful journey. I pass by the bountiful hospitality of the Washington Companions, and their personal attentions in the showing and illustration of all places of interest in and about the nation's capital. I pass the moonlight sail by steamer and the rice by rail to tell you of a

SINGULAR SERVICE,

And beautiful as well which was held among us. To reach our destination it was necessary to leave Washington Saturday morning and ride continuously till this morning. Our company had been augmented by the Grand delegations from Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Maryland and the District of Columbia, and the "Pullman" was well filled with the able and distinguished representatives of Royal Arch Masonry. Sabbath morning the sun shone out upon the hills with all the solemn clearness of a June New England Sabbath, and it was a matter of universal notice that at the various stations every place of business was closed, even the bar-rooms being shuttered and bolted against all the clamors of appetite. The inhabitants of the cabin and the mansion were seen at the windows and doors, tidily and cleanly clad. The groups gathered about the stations were quiet and orderly, and a greater or more reverential respect for the holiness of the day could not be imagined of any New England village. We were spinning along over the Alleghanies at a speed of forty miles an hour when, at the usual hour of church service, under the direction of Grand High Priest Alfred F. Chapman, the companions crowded together at one end of the car for divine service. Grand Chaplain Noyes, the settled pastor of the Father Taylor Bethel, officiated. "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne" was sung to Luther's stately choral, with a volume of harmony such as can be sent forth only by a full, strong chorus of male voices. The throne of divine grace was then invoked in a most touching and solemn manner. Thanks for the continued guardianship of God's mercy to us, specially exposed to the dangers of journeying, and separated from the environments of home and friends; his love and kindly keeping implored for our absent ones, and the tender prayer for their continued preservation in health and safety and happiness. Then succeeded the stately march of Coronation, beating time with the throb of the engine and the lick of the rail as it swelled forth to the words "All hail the power of Jesus' Name," 'Crown Him Lord of all;" after which beautiful, thoughtful and impressive discourse was preached by the chaplain, without preparation, from the text, which, he said, seemed to have been given to him, "Little children love one another." The simplicity of the announcement said the speaker, was no measure of its deep philosophy. All the profoundest things of God were addressed to us in the plainest language, comprehensible by the child as well as by the sage, and so also the latest, most matured and wisest generalization of God's great men were still handed down for the growth and goodness of man in words of simpleness and tender, touching beauty. We should love one another because we were all, from whatever quarter gathered, children and creatures of the same one creator, and, therefore, sustained filial relations each to the other as wide as the race of man. We should love one another because we were by nature dependent not only upon the good provisions of God for us, but upon the thoughts, the cares, the industries, the charities and the affections of each other—a universal web of dependence which made the law of charity coextensive with humanity. We should love one another because love alone was beautiful, it was a virtue of edifying, it was affirmative and looking ever for progress, the enthronement of everything beautiful, the rest of a perfect joy, the sweetness of a tranquil peace, while its opposite, hate, was black and rough, destructive and disintegrating. The special obligations of the injunction to those present were forcibly dwelt upon and there was not wanting those who were willing to give to the speaker the approval of sympathetic tears. Prayer and song, with the usual apostolic benediction closed a most novel and devotional worship, of a band of brothers, flying over the mountains, in the midst of special perils, and amid surroundings at first thought so foreign and adverse to all adoration of the heart; but the piety of the brethren made it one of the most memorable of all services to those present, and one which will never fail from their memories.

After the religious service, the solemn and impressive ritual of the Royal Arch were rehearsed under the direction of Comp. Seranus Bowen, Grand Lecturer of Massachusetts, assisted by Comp. Richardson of St. Andrew's Chapter of Boston, and the impressive lessons of deep piety and religious reverence inculcated by this degree never had a more silent or attentive audience. Thus passed away a Sunday upon the Alleghanies in a Pullman car, an impressive Royal Arch Sabbath.

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FRIDAY EVENING, Aug. 3, 1883.

MASONIC MOVEMENTS.

Pilgrimage of Representatives of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter to Denver, and of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars to San Francisco, Cal.

On Monday morning next at 9 o'clock a specially chartered Pullman car will leave the Boston and Lowell depot, and, attached to the regular trains, will convey a party of twenty-nine persons direct to Denver, Col., via Montreal, Toronto, Detroit, Chicago and Omaha. The roster of the party shows the following named as participants:

Caleb Saunders of Lawrence, R. E. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; Mrs. and Miss Saunders.

Charles C. Hutchinson of Lowell, Deputy Grand Commander.

George W. Fay of East Weymouth, Grand Generalissimo.

Alfred F. Chapman of Boston, Grand Captain General, by proxy, and Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery, also Deputy, and Acting General Grand H. P. of the General Grand Chapter of the United States.

Nicholas Van Slyck of Providence, R. I., Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandry.

John Haigh of Somerville, Grand Standard Bearer and Grand Master of the Grand Council of R. and S. Masters of Massachusetts.

Baalis Sanford of Brockton, Past Commander of the Bay State Commandery; Mrs. and Miss Sanford and Miss Mary H. Scott,

Albert C. Smith of Boston, Em. Commander of Wm. Parkman Commandery and Grand H. P. of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts.

William A. Farnesworth of Worcester, Grand King, Albert L. Richardson of Boston, Grand Scribe of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts. Rev. John W. Dadmun of Boston, Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery and Past Grand H. P. of the Grand Chapter.

John R. Holbrook of Portsmouth, N. H., Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of New Hampshire and Past Grand H. P. of the Grand Chapter of New Hampshire; Mrs. Holbrook and Mrs. Annie M. Parry of Portsmouth, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Ronimus of Boston. Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Washburn of Brockton, Charles H. Baldwin and S. P. Bartlett of Boston, Dr. J. H. Gilbert of Quincy, Othello A. Fay of Athol, Noyes W. Fisk of Springfield, Samuel Smith of Lawrence, James Downs of Natick.

They will arrive and be received at Denver on Friday morning and quarter at the Windsor Hotel. On Saturday an excursion has been tendered by the Grand Chapter of Colorado and the local Chapters of Denver to the members of the General Grand Chapter over the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad through Clear Creek Canon. A carriage ride, a grand banquet and other civilities are proffered while in Colorado.

The General Grand Chapter of the United States, over which Comp. Alfred F. Chapman, Deputy and Acting G. H. P., will preside, will open for business Monday morning and will probably remain in session three or four days. A Knights Templars escort has been tendered for service in the opening ceremonies. At the close of the session of the General Grand Chapter the party will proceed via the Union Pacific Railroad to San Francisco, making a visit en route to Salt Lake City. At San Francisco they will quarter at the Palace Hotel.

In San Francisco the Sir Knights will participate in the grand parade and attend the conclaves of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templars and enjoy the hospitalities of the occasion. The return trip will be made through Southern California, Arizona and New Mexico to Kansas City, Hannibal, Missouri, and Chicago homeward. Stops will be made en route at Los Angeles, Tucson, Santa Fe and other points and places of interest. Invitations to this effect have already been extended, some of which will no doubt be accepted.

CAPITULAR MASONRY.

Herald

Annual Convocation of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter.

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St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter held its sixty-ninth annual convocation on Tuesday evening in Masonic Temple, this city. The report of the Finance Committee shows the chapter to be in a very prosperous condition, it having over $30,000 in its treasury and a membership of 522.

The following companions were elected and appointed for the ensuing year: Edgar O. Dewey, M. E. H. P.; William P. Brechin, E. K.; Samuel F. Hubbard, E. S.; Albert A. Browne, C. O. H.; Samuel Hosea, Jr., P. S.; George E. Savory, R. A. C.; The. H. Emmons, Secretary (twenty-eighth year); Henry G. Fay, Treasurer; William S. Whitney, M. of Third Veil; Edward H. Studley, M. of Second Veil; E. Clifford Paige, M. of First Veil; Edwin C. Wheelock, Senior Steward; Pierce Jones, Junior Steward; John H. Chester, Tyler; Wm. H. Gerrish, Organist; Henry J. Parker, Master of Wardrobe; Charles J. Miller, Chaplain; Alfred T. Turner, R. E. Demmon, James C. Tucker, Trustees. The officers were duly installed by E. Comp. Wyzeman Marshall, assisted by E. Comp. Charles J. Miller, and after the official proclamation Ex. Comp. Marshall presented the retiring M. E. H. P. Frederick J. Spring with a beautiful H. P. jewel. The committee to whom was referred the subject of a public reception reporting favorably it was voted that St. Paul's Chapter hold a public reception and entertainment and the matter was left in the hands of an able committee of whom the newly-elected High Priest is chairman with full powers.

Vokes and their companies are among those invited to be present.

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Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Masons.

Yesterday the 67th annual convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts was held at the Masonic Temple. The work and lectures of the capitular degrees were exemplified at the forenoon and afternoon sessions by the Grand Lecturers, Eugene A. Holton and Seranus Bowen, and their assistants from the various chapters. This was open to all capitular Masons and the officers of subordinate chapters, many of whom were present. At the evening session, which opened at 7 o'clock, M. Ex. Frederick T. Comee, G. H. P., presiding, the regular business was transacted and the following officers were elected: Grand High Priest, Arthur G. Pollard of Lowell; Deputy Grand High Priest, William R. Johnson of Newburyport; Grand King, John B. Whitaker of Fall River; Grand Scribe, Solomon A. Bolster of Boston; Grand Treasurer, Richard Briggs of Boston; Grand Secretary, Alfred F. Chapman of Boston. Frederick H. Spring was appointed as Captain of the Host and Alexander K. Bryer as Grand Tyler. At the close of the election the officers were installed, and at the close of the Grand Chapter the Order of High Priesthood was conferred.

Malden Mirror.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1886.

Grand Masonic Entertaiument

In the New Masonic Hall.

Constitution and Dedication of the Royal Arch Chapter of the Tabernacle.

The constitution and dedication of the Royal Arch Chapter of the Tabernacle on Monday evening, will long be remembered as one of the grandest occasions and most brilliant gatherings which ever took place in Malden. At an early hour in the evening the spacious apartments of the society were thronged with masons and their invited guests, and there was not a seat to spare in the audience room where the ceremony took place. Many of the costumes worn by the ladies were very elaborate and beautiful, and the scene was a very brilliant one. The display was in perfect keeping with the new apartments, which are among the most elaborate and convenient used for masonic purposes in the state.

The fraternity occupy the two upper floors of the building, and the first impression is one of surprise at the large size of the various rooms, and the convenience of the arrangements. Upon ascending the stairs, first upon the right are the hat and coat and toilet rooms, plainly furnished with oak chairs and racks for clothing. Next is a beautifully fitted up parlor for the use of various bodies meeting in the building. On the same side is a small hall for sodality purposes. On the left is the main hall, for lodge meetings, with the necessary ante-rooms. The hall is of large size, and very conveniently arranged. The walls and ceiling are very handsomely decorated with oak trimmings. The furniture is also of oak, the chairs of the various officers being upholstered in dark red plush. The floor is covered with an elegant carpet in unobtrusive shades, and the whole effect of the hall is pleasing to the eye. The furnishing was done by A. H. Davenport of Boston, who is a member of this chapter. In the upper story is a fine large banquet hall, with kitchen, reached by a wide staircase from the floor below.

The new chapter is an offshoot from Waverley chapter, Melrose, and was formed last March, since which time it has been working under a dispensation from the grand chapter. The organization has been very successful, and shows a rapid growth for the short time in which it has been working, over 50 members having been admitted since the dispensation was granted.

The chapter was opened at 7 o'clock, without form, by M. E. H. P. Frederick J. Foss. Prayer was offered by Rev. R. P. Bush, Jr., of Everett, after which took place the reception of the guests.

At this point, M. E. High Priest Harry Hunt of Melrose, spoke of the friendly spirit existing between the chapters of Melrose and Malden. M. E. P. H. P. Wyzeman Marshall was introduced and responded in a felicitious manner, giving reasons for granting the dispensation to the Malden chapter, and complimenting its presiding officer. He was happy to come to the christening of Waverley Chapter's offspring.

Next came singing, "Old friends to talk," by the Mendelssohn quartet, consisting of F. W. Knowles, first tenor; C. J. Buffum, second tenor; J. L. White, first bass; J. K. Berry, second bass. Mr. Howard M. Dow presided at the organ. The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts was then received. The following grand officers were present: M. E. Frederick T. Comee of Boston, grand high priest; M. E. Alfred F. Chapman of Boston, past general grand high priest; R. E. Henry S. Bunton of Hyde Park, past deputy grand high priest acting as deputy grand high priest; R. E. Timothy A. Coolidge of Marlboro, as grand king; R. E. Nathan J. Simonds of Woburn, grand scribe; R. E. Seranus Bowen of Boston, as grand secretary; R. E. J. Gilman Waite of Medford, grand captain of the host; R. E. Eugene A. Holton of Boston, grand lecturer; M. E. and Rev. John W. Dadman of Boston, grand chaplain; R. E. John Haigh of Somerville, and Past Grand High Priest S. R. Sircom of Nova Scotia. "Bring your offering to our temple," was then sung by the quartet. The Grand High Priest assumed the gavel and the East, after which an invocation was offered by M. E. and Rev. John W. Dadmun, grand chaplain. A scholarly and carefully prepared oration on "Elements of growth in Freemasonry," was delivered by M. E. Alfred F. Chapman, Past General Grand High Priest, U. S. He referred to the elements known by the old philosophers and alchemists; from which the elements of modern chemistry have been deduced. He showed that comparatively recent discoveries have confirmed the teaching of Aristotle. A mason is obliged to obey the moral law, and never will be an atheist. He must be a good man and true. Masonry becomes the means of consolidating true friendship. Our women are not admitted to the order, because the persons admitted must be good and true men. The strength of the institution consists in being kindly affectioned, one toward another. The old charges inculcate brotherly love, no quarreling, and doing all good offices. Similar teachings of David and Solomon were quoted. Poets have sung the same, and orators have spoken it. Masonry has to deal with men as it finds them. The qualifications for membership were enumerated. No discussions concerning religion or politics are allowed at meetings of the order. The speaker referred to the essential moral and social requirements, and the various terms by which they are expressed. Change or growth must be found in individual members, as well as the order at large. Kindly words spoken and generous deeds performed, are elements of growth which, existing in the character of men, must grow into masonry. The orator in closing gave a beautiful and appropriate poetical quotation.

"Pour out thy spirit from on high," was sung by the quartet. Then came the consecration ceremonies, the companions named in the petition assembling in the West. The charter was read by R. E. Seranus Bowen, acting Grand Secretary. There are 164 charter members, whose names are upon it.

The Chapter was then constituted by M. E. Frederic T. Comee, Grand High Priest, and dedicated by Grand Chaplain Rev. John W. Dadmun. The quartet sung, "Arise, shine, for thy light is come," and the proclamation was made with thrice repeated formalities by the Captain of the Host, J. Gilman Waite. The East was then assumed by M. E. Alfred F. Chapman, Past General Grand High Priest, who, assisted by R. E. Seranus Bowen, Grand Captain of the Host, with apt expression installed the elected and appointed officers. E. Comp Frederic J. Foss was installed as High Priest, and upon being conducted to the East was greeted with Masonic honors. When called upon for the customary address, E. Comp. Foss said he had nothing to say except to resign the gavel to M. E. Comp. Chapman and request him to proceed with the installation. This was done, and the following officers were installed: Charles L. Davenport, king; Thomas Leavitt, scribe; Rev. Richard P. Bush, Jr., chaplain; Joseph M. Russell, treasurer; Charles R. Magee, secretary; George E. Norris, captain of the host; Nathan Nichols, principal sojourner; Daniel W. Ranlet, royal arch captain; Benjamin A. Walker, master of the third veil; Frederic G. Currier, master of the second veil; Frank P. Cox, master of the first veil; Henry D. Wilder and Winslow B. Southworth, stewards; Eliphalet J. Foss, inside sentinel; Robert W. Burnham, organist; Henry L. Putnam, tyler. At intervals the quartet sang, "To him who rules be homage paid." "Salute him now with three times three." "Our hearts with deep emotion." "Lord, what offerings shall we bring."

After a brief address to the officers and a charge to the chapter, a proclamation was made by the Grand Captain of the Host. "Hark, the song of jubilee," was sung, and the Grand Royal Arch Chapter made its exit. The audience was invited to unite in singing "Auld Lang Syne."

A magnificent banquet was then served in the upper hall by caterer Weber of Boston, over six hundred persons partaking of the ample supply of choice and elegant viands. The following was the committee of arrangements: Albert H. Davenport, Frederic H. Odiorne, William A. Wilde, Joseph M. Russell, Charles R. Magee, George E. Cofren, Winslow B. Southworth. The reception committee consisted of the following gentlemen: George W. Walker, Allan J. Chase, Eliphalet J. Foss, Phineas W. Sprague, Frank J. Bartlett, Edward G. Wise, Elisha W. Cobb, Alfred H. Jones, Edwin G. McInnes.

The carpet in the lodge room having been covered over with canvass, the grand ball came next, which ended the festivities of the evening. The committee on dancing was as follows: Thomas W. Hough, William C. Davenport, Henry E. Turner, Jr., Nathan Nichols, Frank P. Cox, Henry G. Hardy, William E. Marsh, Nelson S. Beane, William W. Winship, Henry D. Wilder. Music was furnished by Carter's orchestra, and the dancing was kept up until the "we sma'" hours of the morning.

Among the guests from a distance we noticed S. D. Blanchard of East Boston, Harry Hunt of Melrose, E. H. Boardman of Melrose, George H. Carter of Concord, J. T. Dyer of Boston, John Tyrrell of New York, Samuel Ham of Boston, William S. Philbrook of Portland, Me., Hiram Southworth of Medford, A. P. Massey of Melrose, Joshua B. Holden of Lynn, and Nathan Blower, Jr., of Lynn, and their ladies. Among the many costumes of the dancers were: Mrs. Dr. George Lunney, cream satin, trimmed with Indian embroidery made from the wings of an Asiatic beetle, the only pattern in the country, and exhibited at the world's exposition at Melbourne, Australia; Mrs. Charles A. Whittemore, canary satin, cut en train, square neck; Mrs. Dr. Godfrey Ryder, yellow silk, square neck, duchess lace; Mrs. Marcus Beebe, cream satin and green velvet, court train, square neck; Miss Grace Whittemore, white nun's veiling, ribbon trimming; Mrs. William E. Marsh, dark silk, brocaded front, cut en train; Mrs. Daggett, black satin, cut en train, square neck, trimmed with white satin; Miss Foss, white satin, V neck, trimmed with rich lace, pearl ornaments; Mrs. F. J. Foss, black satin cut en train; Mrs. Charles Frank, black satin and Duchess lace; Miss Belle Turner, white surah silk; Miss Morrill of San Francisco, blue satin, square neck, crystal embroidery and pink ostrich tips; Miss May Copeland, light blue nun's veiling trimmed with lace; Mrs. Dr. J. L. Sullivan, golden brown satin; Miss Helen Sullivan, white nun's veiling; Mrs. A. E. Bartlett, black and white satin with lace; Miss Minnie Walker, white nun's veiling and lace; Mrs. G. W. Walker, black satin and ostrich tips; Mrs. J. P. Parker, black satin, square neck, trimmed with jet and rich lace; Miss Hart of Melrose, yellow satin, cut en train; Mrs. Frank Beebe of Wakefield, white satin, en train; and many others fully as worthy of notice.

About midnight Most Excellent High Priest Frederic J. Foss, King Charles L. Davenport and Scribe Thomas Leavitt arrayed themselves in their gorgeous regalia and came into the hall. They were greeted with great applause, and were showered with congratulations. It was a most brilliant and magnificent affair, and was carried through to a most prosperous issue by the various committees.

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The Villager

MASONIC FESTIVITIES.

Trinity Chapter Celebrates its Prosperity With Feasting, Wit and Wisdom.

It was a kind of Thanksgiving party of grand children at the home of one of them that assembled Monday evening in the masonic rooms. The occasion was a regular meeting of Trinity Chapter with the added features: Invited guests, a fine banquet, beautiful music and bright speeches.

In the meeting of the chapter, three worthily prominent men of Amesbury received the final degree. Meanwhile, Harvey Blunt, caterer, of Boston, had been spreading the tables in the banquet hall and the Adelphi Orchestra of Newburyport, eleven pieces, were in waiting. It was nearly eleven o'clock when the procession was formed and conducted to the tables. Nearly two hundred sat down, after the blessing had been invoked by the chaplain. It was no idle ceremony either that followed; every man knew his place and filled it.

When a lull occurred in the feasting, High Priest Phineas C. Whittier, in behalf of Trinity Chapter, extended a welcome to the invited guests present, who had assembled to aid the members in celebrating the success and prosperity of the chapter. "The past year," he went on to say, "has been one of growth and progress. Sixteen have been exalted to the full privileges of the order and still others have applied for membership."

With complimentary allusions, he then introduced Alfred F. Chapman, of Boston, Past High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, who has also held the same position in the State and is at present secretary of the Grand Chapter. Mr. Chapman joined in congratulations to Trinity Chapter, which is so prosperous and harmonious. He was present at its organization in 1870, when 17 charter members assumed the responsibility for its support. The membership has now increased to seventy, and thirteen of the charter members still survive. At that time six of the grand officers were present, two of whom have passed to the other world. He spoke of the obligations of society to free masonry and was sure that it didn't realize the extent of the obligation. He spoke of Dakota, where he had been instrumental in granting ten or twelve charters, where the grand lodge has adopted the principal that a saloon keeper is not eligible to masonry. The State will feel that influence, which is always in favor of temperance. One chapter expelled a member because he kept a saloon with gambling. From time immemorial free masonry has constantly taught temperance. He has attended five triennial national convocations, and many banquets in States where they have the reputation for drinking, and it was one of the proud facts of the order that men got corrected and better ideas of one another thus mingling. It is the little things that determine the happiness of individuals, and these little things masonry influences. In 1874, watching with a friend in New Orleans the masonic procession, they were startled and pleased when the band struck up with Yankee Doodle. Tears came to the eyes of his friend, tears of joy they were, for again after 13 years he listened to that dear old tune. A masonic procession dared play it in New Orleans, where for many years it had not been heard. So the masons kept alive the brotherly love.

The toastmaster here introduced District Deputy Grand High Priest William R. Johnson, of Newburyport, who recalled the fact that 90 years ago St. Andrews Chapter of Boston and King Cyrus of Newburyport, for the pupose of securing uniformity in work, met to confer, and this is the origin of the Grand chapter of the State. Trinity chapter of Amesbury is the offspring of King Cyrus chapter and the filial feeling is warm at all times between them. Mr. Johnson also spoke pleasantly of St. Albans chapter of Exeter, twenty of whose members were present as guests.

Companion Hon. John D. Lyman, of Exeter, responded in a jovial manner for his chapter. He spoke of the beautiful floral crower at the head, which had conveyed to him the impression that all the crowing of the evening was to be done from that table. That impression was confirmed when he saw the iced cat carried to the same place, where of course all the mewing was to be done. In this Mr. Lyman was very *amewsing*. He then coupled christianity and masonry, both of which founded upon it, are struggling to establish in the world the principals of eternal truth. The man who took out a contract to overthrow masonry had to fail, for he attacked truth.

In response to the sentiment of toastmaster Whittier, Green Davis of Newburyport, High Priest of King Cyrus, said that he always felt at home when within the protection of a masonic body. He was delighted to see the prosperity of Trinity Chapter. Intermingling as companions makes us better men, better citizens, better masons. The truths of masonay may sometime be so appreciated that all the world shall be united as one family.

High Priest Charles G. Conner, of St. Albans, congratulated the hosts of the evening.

Senator Warren Brown of Hampton Falls, claimed to be stronger on banquets than some men. He told some characteristic stories.

Companion Rev. S. D. Ashley, of Merrimac, ended a fine address with the words, "Masonry stands for temperance, against whatever is destructive of men and society."

Companion W. A. Stiles, of Mount Horeb Chapter of Lowell, was entertaining.

Frank W. Hale, Esq., of Newburyport, spoke of masonry as the grand conservative force of society.

The first High Priest of Trinity, Hiram Walker, who occupied the position for seven years, told of the early struggles of its organization and recited the beautiful poem.

"We meet upon the level
And part upon the square."

High Priest Whittier then dismissed the festivities, after thanking the companions of Trinity Chapter for the hearty support which they are giving the officers and the chapter.

Every one went home with that kindly fellow feeling, which makes us charitable to all men.

The beautiful arch of flowers with "welcome," in immortelles, made by Hibbs, and presented by Dr. Leslie was sent to the home of Dr. Carswell.

New Bedford Standard

WHO ADONIRAM WAS.

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Who was Adoniram?

The question comes from a woman, whose curiosity has been aroused by the repeated use of the word in the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the local Masonic chapter bearing that name. She cannot find anyone to tell her. The speakers and writers involved in the memorialization have apparently never assumed that there is any curiosity as to the name nor any significance in its attachment to the Masons. The Masons are usually pretty sure that it is "in the Bible," but why apparently stumps many of them.

Perhaps it is not too late to dig it out, against the next time anybody wants to know; because, no matter how indifferent the men may be, so long as women are women, with husbands who are Masons, some one of them, like Howell's Lurella, will be always "wanting to know."

Adoniram was a veteran superintendent of the public works carried on in the reigns of Kings David and Solomon and into the reign of Rehoboam, until he became a martyr to the unjust system of forced labor that had been introduced in the closing years of David's reign—a move which was the most significant of the vast change which had taken place in the character of the great Israelite ruler.

Adoniram probably both attended to the collection of the levies, or taxes, for public works and applied them to these objects. The term levies seems to be used in the account scattered through Samuel, Kings and Chronicles, interchangeably for both taxes and the men who did the forced labor, and Adoniram, who is known also as Adoram, by contraction and Hadoram, is inextricably mixed up in the whole thing.

How this process of raising levies of workmen, worked out, is graphically told in the preparation for the building of Solomon's temple. It runs in this wise:

"King Solomon raised a levy out of all Israel; and the levy was thirty thousand men. And he sent them to Lebanon, ten thousand a month by courses: a month they were in Lebanon, and two months at home: and Adoniram was over the levy. And Solomon had three score and ten thousand that bare burdens, and four score thousand hewers in the mountains; besides the chief of Solomon's officers which were over the work, three thousand and three hundred, which ruled over the people that wrought in the work."

Adoniram went on in this job for forty-one years, from B. C. 1014 to 973, and long before that date a good many of the Israelites were tired of the system that compelled them thus to pay tribute to the king, and that was proving really oppression beyond endurance. Along with the system, Adoniram, long-time prosecutor of it, had grown obnoxious, so that when Rehoboam early in his reign rashly sent him to enforce the collection of taxes from the ten revolting northern tribes who were looking for freedom to Jeroboam as their king, he was less successful than in previous experiences of quelling dissatisfaction, and the people rose up against him and "stoned him with stones, that he died." Whereupon "King Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his chariot, to flee to Jerusalem."

The Hebrew of the name is variously interpreted as "The Lord is High" or "The Lord of Height"—but High Lord probably covers it. Plainly Adoniram was a high and honorable mason, since he was chosen by David to forward his great material ambitions, and retained by Solomon for such stupendous works as the temple that was overlaid with gold and was seven years in the building, and Solomon's own house that took thirteen years, and all the rest of the public works, and still kept in favor to be retained in a third administration: and his name is a symbol of efficiency assuredly worthy of Masonic honor.

CHAPTER CELEBRATES.

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have been inevitable in a small section with scattered population, yet it contained an element of weakness that brought decline to the organization. It must have been delightful in the pleasant months of spring and autumn to ride to the east vilalge. But when the roads were poor and wintry storms were raging, the moon would be of slight service and the trip not so attractive. Then enthusiasm would not overcome so many obstacles and the attendance would become reduced. In 1821 Richard Carrique moved from Attleboro and no one was left to keep alive the interest. After ten years experience they had selected only two high priests and owed Bristol lodge several years rent. The number of members from Taunton was exactly the same as resided in Attleboro and the Taunton men desired that the chapter remove to their town. Finally by a large vote the removal was sanctioned and Adoniram Chapter departed from Attleboro and took up its abode in Taunton in the hall of King David lodge. After two years, without doubt the Taunton companies considered that they were justified in urging the change. Twenty-five candidates had been received and the chapter was flourishing. An examination of the list of members will disclose the fact that the same scattered membership wasn't developing, which led to the decline in Attleboro and in time wwould again have caused the same result, if a different event had not brought disaster. It was the unexpected Morgan crusade.

Finally in the summer of 1845, after a sojourn in Taunton of about twenty years, it was decided to move the chapter to New Bedford, which was accomplished in the autumn of that year.

After the prostration of Adoniam chapter for seventeen years, the fact of removal is not so much a surprise as the destination. It was not that a considerable number of New Bedford members demanded the change because there were only two. The reasons for the selection of New Bedford as the new location lay in a different direction.

A short time before Adoniram chapter was moved to Taunton, Star in the East lodge was established in New Bedford. The brethren to a considerable extent obtained the chapter degrees in places not now ascertainable except in a few instances. In most cases they must have gone outside of New England. Thus Captain Henry Barnard of Nantucket received his degrees in a military lodge in Cork, Ireland, in 1798. So in 1826 a number of them presented a petition and obtained a dispensation to form Bethlehem Royal Arch chapter and they o[illegible] the hall of Star in the East [illegible] North Water street.

Under [illegible] the painted ceiling of the [illegible] story represented the star-decked heavens. According to the usual development of such organizations, the principal activity was in receiving candidates and preparing for consecration. The duration of its existence was three years, during which period it enrolled 35 candidates. There was a unanimous desire of the members to have a public constitution. The discussion occurred at the beginning of the anti-Masonic storm. The grand officers advised against any public exercises. This, however, did not satisfy the members, but delay resulted. For five years Bethlehem chapter held no meetings and in 1834 the dispensation was returned but the records are still in the custody of Adoniram chapter. Bethlehem chapter was never constituted. But there were 35 members and probably others still in New Bedford. During the next ten years no doubt other Masons took their chapter degrees in different places and in 1845 the situation was ripe for a Royal Arch chapter. It only required the capable leader. But the hour had arrived and the man who had energy and capacity to deal with such a situation.

Timothy Ingraham was a native of Taunton and had recently moved to New Bedford to engage in business of commission merchant. It is more than likely that he understood the condition at New Bedford and when the Taunton members with whom he was also well acquainted, were ready to dispose of Adinoram chapter, he proposed the removal.

At the first meeting in New Bedford he was elected high priest and he served in that office sixteen consecutive years. This long service was terminated when Colonel Ingraham went to the Civil war in command of the New Bedford City Guards.

His successor in Adoniram chapter was Wanton T. Drew who had peculiar ability in rendering ritual work. For many years he was prelate of Sutton Commandery. He continued in the office of high priest eight years and later two years additional. It is an unusual circumstance that two men should hold the office of high priest for twenty-five years. It might indicate that they were signally superior in their administration or that the members felt slight interest in that office.

The career of Adoniram chapter since the removal to New Bedford has been a regular routine, and the records almost monotonous.

Probably chapters will never be sought to assist in public ceremonies. Only once do the records show that Adoniram participated in a public function. In 1818 they laid the corner stone of the Universalist church in Attleboro, and the explanation was that Richard Carrique, the high priest of the chapter, was minister of that society.

In its century of existence over 1350 members have been enrolled on its register and the present membership numbers 640, far in advance of any other Masonic bodies in the city.

Judged by all the usual tests, Adoniram Chapter is prosperous and flourishing.

Interest in this celebration among companions in other places has led them to render valuable assistance that is not only deeply appreciated but deserves particular mention in this part of the anniversary exercises.

It was thought desirable that there should be niserted in the history of this centennial, pictures of the men who presided over Adoniram Chapter in the days before its removal to New Bedford. This included two in Attleboro and four in Taunton. Investigation revealed the fact that several years ago King David Lodge of Taunton held an anniversary celebration and thorough search was made for pictures of its past masters, four of whom were the four past high priests or Adoniram Chapter. They succeededin finding pictures of three and they have generously donated for our use the cuts of these. It is no simple task to find portraits of individuals who lived a century ago, when photography was unknown and painting was restricted to families of wealth. The Attleboro section of the problem presented formidable difficulties. After some search it has been found impossible to trace George Ellis, the second high priest, but success crowned the efforts in reference to Richard Carrique. In an obscure biographical note appeared the item that he died in 1848 in Hudson, New York. At a venture, a letter seeking information was sent to the city clerk of Hudson. His prompt reply contained the welcome statement that an excellent picture of Richard Carrique was hanging in the Masonic hall at Hudson, and suggested how the purpose could be reached. A cordial and highly satisfactory correspondence resulted, and the Hudson companions prepared and sent, free of cost, an excellent copy of the picture in their hall.

Years ago the high priest, who was a photographer, made a copy from an old daguerreotype and obtained a picture which the old Masons said was a fine representation of Carrique. We have not only had the benefit of that care and thoughtfulness, but the same high priest, who is still living, supervised the preparation of the copy sent to us.

In every part of this retrospect the key note has been "change." The east village is now a city. The stage coach, the turnpike and the old New England tavern are legends of a departed day. The room where men gathered and discussed questions of private and public concern, where bretheren of the Mystic Tie assembled in solemn form is unknown in modern life. The cheerful and cosy meeting of a century ago when there were present scarcely enough to fill the chairs, has given place to convocations often numbering hundreds.

These and a myriad of other changes constitute the total which we call progress.

Two solos were rendered by Dr. C. E. P. Thompson of Fairhaven, following which there were addresses by Grand Commander Dana, of the grand commanderies of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; Most Excellent Arthur D. Prince, grand high priest of the grand chapter of Massachusetts; Most Illustrious William H. L. Odell, thrice illustrious grand master of the grand council of Massachusetts.

It was announced that Melvin W. Johnson, grand master of the grand lodge of Massachusetts, who was present, would speak at the banquet this evening.

The closing address was given by Rev. Dr. F. W. Hamilton, secretary of the grand lodge, whose [illegible] "How Old is Mason[illegible]" [illegible] dispersed at [illegible]

ROYAL ARCH MASONS MAKE A CALL UPON GOV DRAPER

Sept 12-13. 1910

Chapter of the Shekinah Entertains Visitors at Reception and Banquet in Chelsea.

Nearly everything in the way of sightseeing was the object of attention yesterday from the Masons across the border, automobiles being utilized for the purpose, and the aviators were a special cause for interest.

At 2:30 in the afternoon with a delegation from the Royal Arch chapter of the Shekinah the visitors assembled in the hall of flags in the state house and proceeded to the executive chamber, where Gov Draper received them. The presentations were made by High Priest Anderson of Chelsea chapter, who afterward thanked his excellency for the courtesy extended the party.

The governor had a warm greeting for the Masons and said it always afforded him gratification to welcome a representative body of men, and it was especially so in the present instance, as the men were from the country to the north, with which there had always been amicable relations, and he trusted they would strengthen.

J. Herbert Crockett of St John, before the company dispersed, shook hands with the governor and said he reciprocated the sentiment as to the cordial feeling between the two countries and hoped that it would ever continue.

There was a double reception in the evening in the Chelsea Masonic temple, and the festivities continued to the midnight hour.

Most Excellent Charles D. Burrage, GHP, was accompanied by John T. Kimball as GC of H, and Edwin H. Pearson, K of Somerville chapter, when he entered the apartment for the first time since the Masons have taken possession of the new building. There were 200 present in the hall.

High Priest Anderson, in receiving the head of capitular Masonry, said he welcomed not only the grand high priest but an honorary member of Shekinah.

The grand high priest brought the felicitations of the grand R. A. chapter, and he was likewise happy in being present as one of Shekinah's own. He was also glad to be able to assist in welcoming those from across the border who came on a mission of peace, love and prosperity. He congratulated the Chelsea Masons in having erected such a beautiful temple.

The representation from Union chapter of Yarmouth was led by Edgar N. Clements, MEHP, and with him were Past Grand High Priest William M. Black of the Grand R. A. chapter of Nova Scotia, and Scribe J. H. Crockett of Carleton chapter, St John, each of whom responded to the sentiments of High Priest Anderson.

As a compliment to the provincial Masons, the quartet sang "The Maple Leaf Forever," Canada's national song, Merton D. Williams being at the organ.

The committee of reception consisted of James Donaghey, Rt Excellent Edwin S. Crandon, Joseph C. Haskell and John C. Martin, P H P, with J. B. Fenwick, John E. Heseltine, George E. Mitchell, Edwin R. Hoag, William Anderson and James S. Wilson.

When the convocation adjourned, the company was entertained by a lecture from John H. Westfall, USN, on "The Lost Fleet at Samoa." The banquet was an elaborate affair. Most Excellent Alfred Anderson was toastmaster.

Grand High Priest Burrage responded for "The Grand Chapter of Massachusetts" and in the course of his reply expressed the keenest satisfaction at being able to join in a welcome to the capitular masons from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

"The Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia" elicited a response from Past Grand High Priest Black, who brought the greetings of that grand chapter.

High Priest Clements referred to the sojourn of Shekinah in Yarmouth last year. He expressed sympathy for Shekinah in the loss sustained by the destruction of its hall, but on the other hand congratulated it for the temple that had been reared.

Those from Yarmouth, he said in conclusion, would bear away memories of the visit that could not be effaced.

Past Deputy Grand High Priest Crandon, a member of Shekinah, spoke for it.

This afternoon the visitors will be taken on an automobile trip to Beverly and will be received by President Taft. In the evening there will be a collation in town and a theatre party.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS' GUEST NIGHT

Cambridge Chapter Provides a Threefold Attraction and a Company of 275 Enjoys It.

MEMBERS OF CAMBRIDGE R. A. CHAPTER ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.

In point of sociability and general enjoyment the ladies' night of Cambridge R. A. chapter in the Masonic apartments, North Cambridge, last evening, was on a par with the many events of a like character with which its name has been linked. There were 275 in attendance who enjoyed a banquet, entertainment and dance.

The entertainment was given by Miss Evelyn G. Blair, Miss Caroline F. Flanders, Mrs Marguerite Pearson-Moss, Miss Ethel Daggert, Miss Nita Cowlishaw and Walter I. Cowlishaw.

Frederick J. Caldwell was floor manager and his aids were Arthur S. Morey, George B. Colesworthy, William H Chafe and George C. Tait.

The chairman of the committee on arrangements was Irving C. Langley HP, with whom was associated William Chafe, Charles R. MacLean, Hugh M. Tolar, Walter I. Cowlishaw and Royal G. Furbush.

There were on the reception committee besides High Priest Langley, Past High Priest Tolar, William L. Lathrop, Clarence M. Howlett and Royal G. Furbush.

Local Masonic bodies were represented in the guest list as follows: Charles R. Putnam EC of Cambridge commandery K. T.; Howard F. Peak TIM of Cambridge council, R. and S. M.; Alvah F. Dole WM of Putnam lodge and Charles T. Cottrell WM of Mt Olivet lodge.

Among those present were:

Mrs Howard F Peak	Mr & Mrs F W Bartlett
Mrs Hugh M Tolar	Miss Hazel Gore
Mrs Charles R Putnam	Miss Rena Furbish
Mrs William H Chafe	Fred Furbish
Mrs Alvah F Dole	Arthur Crawford
Mrs C T Cottrell	Fred R Foster
Mr & Mrs L F Langley	Arthur S Morey
Mr& Mrs J Furbush	John Lawson
Miss Alice E Mackusick	H F Hawthorne
Mr & Mrs E Mitchener	F J Caldwell
Mr & Mrs G H Rice	Miss Marion Howlett
Mr & Mrs W Caldwell	Mr & Mrs Roy Angus
Mr & Mrs G C Tait	Miss Hilda Reycroft
Mrs G B Colesworthy	Fred Shaw
Mr&Mrs G M Patterson	Mr&Mrs A H B Stevens
H N Burnes	Albert Caldwell
Mr&Mrs Alfred Alcock	Mr & Mrs L Harriman
Miss Ninon Williams	Fred Smith
Mr&Mrs F L Churchill	Mr&Mrs J A S Woodrow
Miss M B Craig	Miss Daisy White
Mr&Mrs Arthur L Cobb	Mr&Mrs Chas M White
George Kerr	Joel C Bancroft
Mr&Mrs W E Reycroft	Mr & Mrs C Hamilton
Miss Alice Merrill	Miss Elizabeth Gray
Mr&Mrs W H Wright	Mr & Mrs J E Gray
Mrs W I Cowlishaw	James Gray
Mr&Mrs Charles Bacon	Mr & Mrs W F Lemont
Miss M P Caldwell	Mrs Lillie Siddell
Mr&Mrs E B Robertson	Mr & Mrs S M Best
Walter Caldwell	Miss Hattie Best
Mr & Mrs T Ramage	Fred Maddox
Mrs T H Lane	Mr & Mrs T Maddox
Mr & Mrs H R Colesworthy	Mrs Robert Maxwell
	Joseph B Ross
Mrs H H Morrill	R C Brown
Mr & Mrs Wm Forbes	S R Masstrangialo
Dr Theodore S Holt	J A Gutheim

When a [illegible] chapter came to Bo[illegible] the custody of the traveling [illegible] with St Paul's Chapter, W. H. A. Eckhardt was principal J (or scribe, as is known in American chapters) of the Montreal organization. Almon B. Cilley was then scribe of St Paul's. They agreed that if they assumed the chair of their respective chapters in the same year they would arrange a fraternal visit, and as that has been brought about Carnarvon will be the host Friday and Saturday of this week.

The triangle has acquired a continental reputation. It was sent out on its journey around the world by St Patrick Chapter of Toronto, Ont. Its symbolical significance appeals to all in the rite. The one that had its origin in Canada is of heavy gold. At the top is a beaver and entwined about the jewel are shamrocks and maple leaves. It has a pendant showing St Patrick and the seal of the chapter, while at the bottom are emblems of Capitular Masonry.

In its travels the triangle went to Keystone Chapter of Buffalo, McKinley Chapter of Cleveland, King Cyrus Chapter of Detroit, Keystone Chapter of Indianapolis, Lincoln Park Chapter of Chicago, Prince Rupert Chapter of Winnipeg, Wascana Chapter of Regina, Vancouver Chapter of Vancouver, then to Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui Chapter of Kingston, Ont, which delivered it to Carnarvon Chapter.

A brilliant ceremony attended the depositing of the treasure in the hands of St Paul's Chapter and the convocation in Boston Temple was attended by a notable array of the rite. Edward H. Kavanagh was high priest and Peter W. A. Burket, as principal Z, headed the delegation from Carnarvon Chapter. George C. Thacher was the king of St Paul's and Almon B. Cilley its scribe. As the next custodian, Providence Chapter was selected and a large party accompanied High Priest Kavanagh to that city to attend the transfer. The occasion became one of the greatest events in the history of the rite in Rhode Island, calling out the leading Royal Arch Masons of the State.

The triangle has passed into other hands. It is not permitted to remain at more than one chapter in any Province or State, and it will enter and cover as many as possible of the Grand Chapter jurisdictions of North America, all the other grand jurisdictions of the world to follow, and finally to return to St Patrick Chapter with its accumulated memories and associations. After it is received there all the chapters through whose hands it has passed will be represented at a grand reunion.

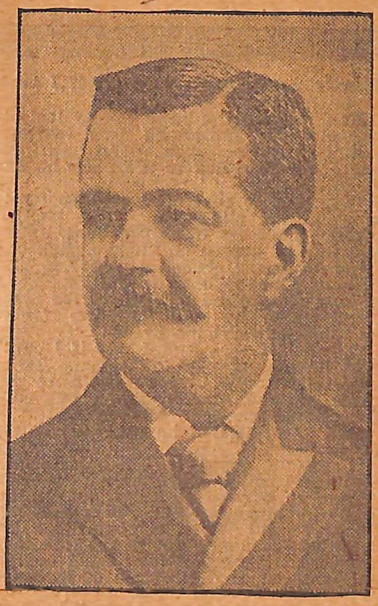
Most Excellent Eugene A. Holton, GHP of the Grand Chapter, and the Globe representative, will be guests of St Paul's on the excursion. Others in the party will be: Right Excellent Jesse E. Ames, PDGHP; James Keltie, HP of Mt Vernon Chapter, and Alexander M. Ciute of St Andrew's Chapter.

The following officers and other members of St Paul's Chapter will make up the deputation: Almon B. Cilley, high priest; Herman L. Klein, king; Irving G. Findlay, scribe; Edward H. Kavanagh (PHP) T; Paul C. Klein, John P.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS GOING TO MONTREAL

St Paul's of Boston Will Be Recipient of International Courtesies From Carnarvon Chapter.

ALMON B. CILLEY,
High Priest, St Paul's R. A. Chapter.



W. H. A. ECKHARDT,
Principal Z., Carnarvon R. A. Chapter.

As a method of cementing the fraternal relations among Capitular Masons of different jurisdictions the traveling triangle has accomplished much. It has broadened the ideal of a greater and universal Masonry. St Paul's R. A. Chapter of Boston has been one of the agents in sending the emblem on its mission of good will, and will bear testimony to that fact in the departure of a delegation from it to Montreal tonight on a visit to Carnarvon Chapter of that city.

An energetic two days have been mapped out by the Montreal members of the rite for their guests. On arrival in that city tomorrow morning a committee will escort the party to the Windsor Hotel. At 2 o'clock there will be a drive to Mt Royal; at 5 a visit to Lachine to "run the rapids" if conditions are favorable; at 8 an official reception in the Masonic Temple, followed by a banquet. Saturday forenoon St Paul's members will be on hand at their quarters to receive visitors, and the afternoon will be given up to an automobile drive about town and many noteworthy points for which the city is famed. That evening the Bostonians will depart for home.

[illegible] deputation from the Montreal [illegible] Boston in 1911 to leave [illegible] triangle

Dodge, Herbert F. Sawyer, Albert H. Lamson, George Nelson, Dr Wallace C. Keith, Alfred H. Moorehouse, William L. Birely, Theodore O. Nicholson, Edward C. Baldwin, Alexander Peters, Richard M. Pearce, David A. Kenrick, William E. Foster, William M. Chubb, Edward W. Brown, Wendell W. Boardman, George E. Marsters and George A. Titcomb.

Carnarvon Chapter, formed in 1861, has a noteworthy record. It has a membership exceeding 400, and that some of those on its rolls have attained distinction in Masonry in Canada is evident from the fact that five of those affiliated with it are past grand first principals of the Grand Chapter of Quebec, seven past grand masters of the Grand Lodge of Masons, and more than 150 past masters of lodges in and near Montreal. About 600 have been exalted by the chapter since it was constituted. The organization for 1913 is as follows: W. H. A. Eckhardt, principal Z; E. C. Bentley, IPZ; W. R. Eakin, principal H; H. Wilson Jr, principal J; Right Excellent W. L. Chipchase, T; T. D. Hofland, SE; R. C. Young, SN; D. W. Fraser, PS; D. McLellan, SS; W. Eaves, JS; T. J. Coulter, 4th V; A. B. Scarff, 3d V; W. J. W. Booth, 2d V; H. J. Heasley, 1st V; Thomas Essery, D. of C.; F. C. Capon, organist; G. W. Henderson, D. B. Atkinson, C. M. Walton and R. T. Stackhouse, stewards.

CHAPTER CELEBRATES.

New Bedford Standard Oct. 9, 1916

CENTENNIAL OF ITS FOUNDING OBSERVED ON SUNDAY.

Entire Body Turns Out to Divine Services Conducted by the Rev. H. C. Gale and Hears Historical Address by H. B. Worth.

It was a day of Masonry, yesterday, in New Bedford. The members of Adoniram chapter of Royal Arch Masons, for the second time in a hundred years, turned out in a body, to celebrate their centennial. The first time was when the chapter made a trip together to Attleboro, and yesterday, the trip was to the Trinitarian church, in connection with services held to celebrate its centennial.

Three hundred of the 640 members of the order attended the divine services on Sunday The members of the chapter met in Masonic hall at 1 45 when the chapters were opened and the grand officers received. There was an informal reception and afterwards the procession was made up for the march to the church. The service was at 3 30. The pews in front had been reserved for the chapter members. The front of the pulpit platform had been decorated with palms, and the banners of the chapter were on the left while the American flag was on the right.

The service had been arranged especially for the occasion, and the sermon was by Rev. Howard Charles Gale, S. T. B., chaplain of Adoniram chapter.

The centennial hymn of which Mr. Gale is the author was sung to the tune of Webb.

The grand officers present included an unusually large list. They were.

Most Excellent Arthur D. Prince, Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

Excellent Olin D. Dickerman, Grand Captain of Host.

Most Worshipful Melvin M. Johnson, Grand Master of Masons of Massachusetts.

Worshipful William M. Farrington, Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Most Illustrious William H. L. Odell, Grand Master of the Grand Council of R. & S. Masters of Massachusetts.

Illustrious M. J. Pleschinger, Grand Master of Ceremonies of the Grand Council of R. & S. Masters of Massachusetts.

Right Eminent Sir Frederick I. Dana, Grand Commander of the Grand Commanderies of Knight Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Right Excellent Edward B. Saunders, District Deputy Grand High Priest of the Third Capitular District.

The Rev. Richard Carrique,
Organizer of First Royal Arch Chapter.

Right Excellent William M. Thorup, Grand Scribe of Royal Arch Masonry.

The Rt. Worshipful and Rev. Dr. Frederick W. Hamilton, Recording Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, active member Supreme Council, 33d Degree, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rights.

The Rt. Worshipful George B. Luther, District Grand Master of Thirtieth Masonic District.

Eminent Sir Joseph H. Potter, Grand Warden of the Grand Commanderies of Knight Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The order of service was as follows:

Organ Prelude—"At Evening," Kinder
Miss Margaret M. Swift, Organist.
Processional Hymn 233, Wesley
Sentences of Scripture.
Exhortation.
Invoration.
Lord's Prayer.
Chant—"Laetatus sum."
First Lesson taken out of the Old Testament, Ezra. I:1-6.
Anthem — "In God is My Salvation, Adams
Choir of the Universalist church.
Second Lesson taken out of the New Testament. S. Matthew XX:1-16.
Solo—"Jerusalem, Thou that Killest the Prophets," from S. Paul,

of Jehovah, at the hands of his chosen people.

"That day was now at hand; the proclamation had been issued; eyes were turned toward home; gifts were coming in from the faithful; leaders were busy making preparation for the pilgrimage back to Judah; Israel was alive; the dream of ages was about to be fulfilled. But all was not yet prosperity; the journey was long and tedious; there was opposition; there was indifference; there were those whose courage was only temporary; there were many dangers to be met and many rough roads to be traversed.

"At last, however, Israel was at Jerusalem, home again. And although the country had changed, and others had taken possession of the sites dear to the hearts of Israel, yet it was home, and here they would rebuild the holy temple of their God. Work was begun; rubbish cleared away; precious stones discovered, and sacred relics unearthed. And so out of the sacrifice and labor and sincerity of a reverent nation, the temple, once again arose in its majesty.

"While Chapter Masonry is concerned with the rebuilding of the temple, its particular interest is in the Royal Arch, so-called. Here its symbolism centres, and on this are based its most important teachings. It is not my purpose to deal with the history of Royal Arch Masonry, nor of Adoniram Chapter, that important duty is in the hands of others, highly skilled in such matters, but the honor is mine, of calling to your attention, on this memorable occasion, the high moral and spiritual ideals which characterize capitular cymbolism. While capitolar masonry is more dramatic than craft, symbolism is, nevertheless, its chief method of teaching. Masonry is heir to the symbolic method of divine right, as it were. In view of this fact, let us consider, briefly the ancestry of our symbolism.

"The beginning of symbolism is almost synonymous with the beginning of thought. No sooner had the mind of man given birth to ideas than it sought means of expressing those ideas, and here we have our first symbols. The guttural grunts of the first savakes; the rude signs of the cave dwellers; the monuments of antiquity; are all a part of our symbolism's ancestry. The spoken and written word of the English language is but symbolism in a higher degree of development; an advanced step in man's endeavor to make known to his fellow man the inspiration and emotion of his mind and heart.

"Symbolism both reveals and conceals. To the initiated, whether it be in a secret order or in art or science,

Wanton T. Drew,
Second High Priest of Chapter at New Bedford.

certain signs and words convey common ideas and truths, but to the outsider, they conceal and do not reveal. A simple illustration of this is found in the nomenclature of the medical profession. It is equally true, as we

sincerity would mark them as true. In fact there can be no sincerity at all unless it be a part of one's life, and of all one's affairs. It seems to be a human failing that men cannot see all men as brothers. Masonry taking this into account seeks to so unite men in the lodge that they may there apply the principle, and thus so implant it in their lives that it will some day be universally applied. Thus the cornerstone of sincerity, even though it be a rough and unpolished ashler, is the base on which rise the pillars of companionship.

"It has been said that friendship consists more in liking the same thing than in liking each other. This is true of our companionship, for the link which binds us together is a common interest in the same symbolic teachings. Psychologically, this basis is sound. When Americans meet in Europe there is instantly a feeling of friendship, not because of personal attachment but because of a common interest in the same nation. This is true of graduates of the same college or men engaged in the same trade. Just so the companionship of Capitular Masonry is based on a common interest. Our 'agreement' is not in matters of race or education or trade

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now, of any art or science. There is a time when symbols were employed as a necessary means of safeguarding person and religious liberty. Symbols now chiefly used as ornamentation in the Christian churches are a product of that time. When it was a dangerous thing to be known as a follower of Christ, Fouls were the necessary means by which Christians made themselves first. Secret to each other. They were the strikes and passes of the degrees in the Christian church.

There is, however, a loftier symbolism than this; a symbolism which Ballies man to give expression to their thoughts and emotions too Bale for the common means of ex-Lession. No language has yet been devised adequate to the full expression of man's best and greatest thoughts. Our loftiest emotions and highest ideals must, today as in past, seek means of expression in Finer than the spoken word. So music and art tell to the initiated mind and the exalted heart, a story too large for words.

"The symbolism of Capitular Masonry, dealing as it does with the fundimental attributes of man; his divine qualities, is a part of this higher symbolism. Like all symbolism, it both reveals and conceals, but what it conceals is only incidental—signs and passes, necessary means of making oneself known as a companion—while what it reveals is of supreme importance—great human characteristics which mark man with the seal of his divine inheritance.

And what are these qualities with which Capitular Masonry is primarily concerned? Surely not the mere tokens of the order; not the power it may, perchance, give him in political or economic life—God forbid. This were to entirely misinterpret the meaning of the institution. The qualities which demand our attention, as companions, are none other than the simplest yet deepest elements of life. There are many such, but three in particular, which grow naturally out of the Royal Arch symbolism. I will call them the cornerstone, the pillars, and the keystone.

"The cornerstone is sincerity. If you have caught the full significance of the fourth and seventh degrees you see how sincerity is at its roots. Royal Arch Masonry would teach sincerity to the world by establishing it in the hearts of its members as the cornerstone of the arch on which the pillars must be built. It would lay this stone so securely that not only in dealing with each other, but with all men

Ball three. Lewis was purposely passed. Gardner up. Gardner fouled to Miller. No runs, one hit, one error.

Tenth Inning.

First Half—Cushaw up. Walsh went to centerfield for Boston. Janvrin threw out Cushaw. Mowry up. Ball one. Mowry's grounder was decoted by Gardner to Scott, who threw him out at first. Olsen up. Ball one. Ball two. Ball three. Strike one. Miller up. Miller Olson walked. Miller fouled to Gardner, who leaped into the air and speared the ball with his gloved hand. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Second Half—Scott up. Ball one. Scott sinzled to right. Thomas up. Foul, strike one. Thomas sacrificed, Cushaw to Daubert. Ruth up. Strike one. Ball one. Strike two. Ruth struck out. Hooper up. Ball one. Foul, strike one. On Hooper's grounder to Mowrey, Scott rounded third and tried to score. Mowrey turned and threw to Olson, who touched out

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or religion but rather in the symbolism which speaks a common language to us all. In this companionship we seek to help and be helped. What helps or hinders one helps or hinders all. What helps the fraternity as a whole, helps each man who is a part of it. The chapter and the men who constitute it are so linked together that they stand and fall together. We are workers together. Three soldiers go into the trench together each with his own work to do and with his own tools; one had a spade, one a bar the other a pick, and while their work differs their aim is common, and together they help and protect home and country. Thus the Royal Arch is supported by the pillars of companionship.

"One other stone is needed—the keystone. We will call it reverence It is the stone which so long puzzled the temple builders. On it are the marks which many workmen have failed to read but the 'stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner.' Without it no arch is complete; no arch can long endure.

"By reverence we do not mean effeminate mannerisms in worship, nor

Timothy Ingraham,
First High Priest of Chapter at New Bedford.

mere forms of devotion, but the spirit of manliness so essential to all true work and all true religion; that mark of character which designates the true man. Reverence, then, is more than pity, more than any outward expression of religon. It is that deep sense of the human-divinity of man which leads to universal love and true brotherhood.

"It is reported that on one Sunday mind always compares the situa... the beginning and the end of the period, and when the intervale is a hundred years the difference is startling. To one particular your attention should be directed at this time. Southeastern Massachusetts is today covered with a net work of railroads which connect cities and towns where the population is dense and extensive. A century ago the only means of transportation was the stage coach that roiled from village to village, when there was not a city in the commonwealth, and Boston was yet only a town.

These colonial villages whether large or small were arranged according to a well recognized plan. In the center was the Common or Training Green and outside were the dwellings and certain essential institutions; the store, the schoolhouse, the jail, the burial ground, the Congregational meeting house and the tavern. To such a village your attention is further directed.

It was the east village of the town of Attleboro. The tavern was owned and conducted by Capt. Benjamin Balkcom and stood southeast across the street from the present Masonic building. Extending from the main building was an ell in which was a hall or large room where were held religious and other gatherings, and here Bristol lodge of Free Masons held its meetings. In the early months of 1816 a number of the brethren became interested to seek further advancement in Masonry, and as jurisdisdictional limits were not then strictly respected, they went to Providence Royal Arch Chapter and took the Capitular degrees. At that date there was no Royal Arch Chapter south of Boston. The intention probably was to establish a chapter in Attleboro under the leadership of Rev. Richard Carrique, the minister of the Universalist society. He was an enthusiastic Mason, having taken all the available degrees; had been minister of the society at Charlton where he had been high priest of King Solomon's Chapter. He had unusual capacity in organizing and interesting men and aroused a keen desire among the members of Bristol lodge for the new degrees.

As soon as a sufficient number were qualified they presented a petition for a charter for Adoniram Chapter. The place of meeting was the hall of Bristol lodge in Balkcom's tavern, and their first gathering took place Oct. 8, 1816, which occurred on Tuesday. According to their bylaws the regular time of meeting was the Tuesday after each full moon, the session to begin at two o'clock in the afternoon and to continue not later than nine at night.

After the usual period of probation, the date fixed for the consecration was St. John's day of June, 1817. The ceremony was held in the Congregational meeting house where the public was invited and the exercises were enlivened by six lady singers and a brass band. Rev. Richard Carrique was high priest. Applications came from near and far; one from Maine, one from Vermont and several over the line in Rhode Island. While this widely separated membership may

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during this European war two regiments on oposite sides agreed to cease fighting and attend church together. The bands on each side played the national song of the enemy. Side by side in church they offered the same prayers to God. Then, the service over, they returned to camp and and on the morrow went out to kill each other. You say they were reverent in church. We call it reverence, but the day will come when we shall associate reverence with all the affairs of life as well as with worship, when reverence will go beyond prayers and devotion to the very heart of life and love. This is the keystone which bears on the marks of master workmanship.

"Thus we build the Royal Arch, its base sincerity, its pillars companionship, and its keystone reverence. As the years go by we recall the names of men who have tried to build this arch; masons who have caught the meaning of this great symbolism and have lived the royal life, masons whose sincerity has honored the fraternity; whose companionship has been a lasting power; whose reverence has been from above. We cannot see them today but we know that the influence of their lives is here at work with the stones of the Royal Arch.

"We honor now the memory
"We honor now the memory
Of brothers gone before;
Whose names have been exalted;
Who passed the veils of yore,
And now before thine altar
Have ended life's long march.
No more of rugged pathway
Now but the Living Arch.

"When men have won a great battle or achieved some notable success in art or science, their home cities build for their reception an arch of triumph, under which they march on their return. So the old world is adorned with these arches of triumph as memorials of success in war or public life. When the companions of capitular masonry wish to erect a memorial of that friendship which is Masonic, they, too, erect an arch, not the arch of wood or stone which decays and crumbles but the living arch which endures through the ages, and which never, never dies.

"For an hundred years, Adoniram Chaprer has endeavored to build such an arch out of the characters of Masons. Her success may never be known, but the record of an hundred years will tell a story to gladden the hearts of all who love the Masonic fraternity.

"As I look toward the east I see the long line of companions who have passed beyond the veils to stand before the ark, no more to sit with us in Chapter hall, to share our ritual or enjoy our mirth, yet still united under the Royal Arch of Masonic friendship. And then as I turn toward the west, I see that other long line, coming out of the ages yet unborn, continuing the work we are doing, and never ceasing until they have built into the world, for fraternity, the Royal Arch of friendship.

"O, Adoniram, prosper,
O, Adoniram, speed,
As hearts to hearts united
Companions meet, agreed.
O may this day of gladness;
This bright Centennial Day,
But stronger bind our friendship
And keep us true, we pray."

THE CHAPTER'S STORY.

Henry B. Worth Delivers Interesting Historical Address.

Henry B. Worth gave a historical address, in which he made public many events in the history of Arch Masonry in this part of Massachusetts, hitherto little known to Masons, at the centennial historical exercises held in the lecture hall of the Young Men's Christian association at 6 30 last evening. One of the most interesting of these historical facts was his account of his discovery of the portrait of the Rev. Richard Carrique, leader of the movement which organized the chapter at Attleboro, which was the beginning of the present Adoniram chapter.

Three hundred members of Adoniram chapter and many invited guests hear Mr. Worth's address, the solo by Mrs. Mildred Story Ellis of Boston, the address by the Rev. F. W. Hamilton, D. D., on "How Old Is Masonry," and the solos by Dr. C. E. P. Thompson, of Fairhaven.

Mr. Worth's address in full was as follows:

On these anniversary occasions the

MASONS TO CELEBRATE.

Anniversary of St Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter.

Program for Next Wednesday, Which Marks its 125th Year.

About 1000 People Will Attend the Banquet in Mechanic's Hall.

Next Wednesday St Andrew's Royal Arch chapter will celebrate its 125th anniversary, and Masons from the country over will join in making the event memorable.

St Andrew's is one of the widest known Masonic bodies in the country. Its history dates back to the ante-revolutionary days, and among its early officers were such famous patriots as Joseph Warren and Paul Revere. It has been conspicuous in molding the system of capitular degrees in America, and many of its members have held distinguished offices in the General Grand chapter and Grand chapter.

Its 125th birthday will find it on the top wave of financial prosperity and with a membership of 600.

The anniversary will be celebrated on the day of the 1538th convocation. The exercises have been designed admirably not only to meet the approval of visiting Masons, but to interest the families and outside friends in general of the members.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon members of the chapter, with officials of the general grand chapter of the United States and the grand chapter of Massachusetts and many other distinguished Masons, will meet in Sutton hall, Masonic temple.

The program of the exercises to take place there will be as follows:

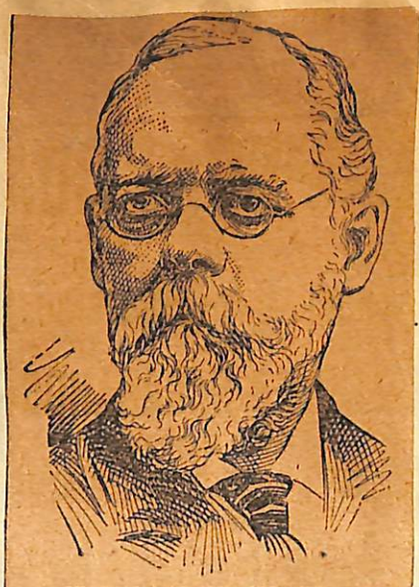
ORATOR WARREN B. ELLIS.

Opening.
Reception of the M. E. general grand high priest of the general grand chapter of the United States.
Reception of the M. E. grand high priest of the grand royal arch chapter of Massachusetts.
Reception of the M. W. grand master of Masons in Massachusetts.
Invocation by E. Rev Charles A. Skinner, grand chaplain.
Singing, "Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place."
Temple quartet.
Reading of charter by M. E. Thomas Waterman.
Autumn song .....Goring
Temple quartet.
Address of welcome and introduction by H. P. Seranus Bowen.
Responses by M. E. George L. McCahan, M. E. J. Gilman Waite, M. W. Otis E. Weld.
Ode, words by Rev Bro Edward A. Horton, music by Companion Howard M. Dow.
Temple quartet.
Historical address by R. E. Warren B. Ellis.
Sunset .....Van de Water
Temple quartet.
Poem, written for the occasion by Companion Fred. Clinton Fairbanks, read by M. E. Frederick T. Connell.
Abide with Me.
Temple quartet.
Closing.

These exercises will be given before Masons exclusively.

The guests of honor will be:

G. G. H. P. George L. McCahan of Baltimore, G. G. S. Arthur G. Pollard of Lowell, G. G. M. of the S. V. George E. Corson of Washington, P. G. H. P. Josiah H. Drummond of Portland, P. G. G. H. P. Noble D. Larner of Washington; G. H. P. William H. W. Hinds, New Hampshire; G. H. P. Myron J. Horton, Vermont; G. H. P. Albert L. Anthony, Rhode Island; G. H. P. Frederick E. Barnes, New York; G. S William R. Greene, Rhode Island; P. G. H. P. J. Leavitt Lambert, New York; P. G. H. P. John H. Barlow, Connecticut; P. G. H. P. Thomas Waterman, P. G. H. P. Albert C. Smith, P. G. H. P. Frederick T. Comee, P. G. H. P. Arthur G. Pollard, P. G. H. P. J. Albert Blake, G. H. P. J. Gilman Waite and officers of the grand chapter of Massachusetts, G. M. J. Albert Blake of Haverhill of the grand council of Massachusetts, P.



HIGH PRIEST SERANUS BOWEN.

D. G. H. P. Rev A. St John Chambre of Lowell, G. C. Charles C. Fry of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, M. W. G. M. Otis E. Weld, R. W. Samuel C. Lawrence, R. W. Sereno D. Nickerson, R. W. Charles S. Robertson, also the heads of all the chapters in Massachusetts.

The following are the officers of St Andrew's: Seranus Bowen HP, Augustus Ridgeway K, William L. Willey S, James D. Ronimus treas, Warren B. Ellis sec, Gus G. R. Stanwood C of H, Francis M. Larned PS, William B. Phipps RAC, Ferdinand M. Trifet MTV, Abbott L. Aldrich MSV, Harry D. Delano MFV, Horatio G. Hall SS, James A. Alexander JS, Howard M. Dow organist.

The invitations will make valuable souvenirs of the event. They are engraved on parchment in elegant script, and the envelope bears the seal of the chapter.

The social exercises of the celebration will be held in the evening in Mechanics hall.

At 8 o'clock a banquet will be served which will be attended by the wives, daughters and friends of the Masons. It is anticipated that the company will number 1000. After the banquet there will be dancing.

The committee of arrangements on whom, in large measure, will depend the success of the affair, is composed of Messrs Bowen, Waterman, Ellis, Holton, Richardson, Phipps, Ridgeway, Willey and Ronimus.

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CENTENNIAL

—OF—

ST. ANDREW'S ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

FESTIVAL OF THE COMPANIONS.

Address by Companion W. S. Gardner.

Reception, Concert and Banquet.

[REPORTED FOR THE BOSTON JOURNAL.]

The festival of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter, held in commemoration of the completion of a hundred years since the date of their first meeting for conferring the Royal Arch degree, took place yesterday. In point of elegance and liberality in the arrangements no entertainment in this city by any branch of the order ever exceeded it, and though carried out on a scale of magnificence rarely attempted, the details were so admirably perfected by a most competent committee of arrangements that the varied attractions offered to the Companions and their ladies, and also to the invited guests, combined pleasantly and harmoniously to mark, in a most befitting manner, the historical event which it was intended to commemorate. The apartments of the new and richly furnished Temple were opened, affording ample space for the six or seven hundred who were present to participate in the pleasures of a festival which blended the attractions of music, dancing and the banquet table. In the afternoon these were preceded by a reunion of the Companions, who participated in exercises which embraced an appropriate ode and an address of more than ordinary merit.

Before giving our readers a report of this unique affair a brief sketch of the occasion it commemorated and a glance at the distinguished Masonic worthies who have perpetuated the name and fame of the Chapter for a hundred years may prove acceptable. The first meeting of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter was held in Boston on the 28th of August, A. D. 1769. The centennial anniversary falling at a season of the year when the Companions were enjoying their summer vacation, it was wisely determined to postpone the celebration to a more opportune moment, and the 29th of September was therefore assigned for the commemorative festival. To give due eclat to this period in the history of the Chapter a committee was appointed some months since to make such preparations and arrange such a programme as they thought expedient. This committee was composed of Companions Richard Briggs, Nathaniel B. Shurtleff, John McClellan, William Parkman, William W. Baker, A. F. Chapman, Charles W. Romney and William S. Hills, nearly all of whom hold or have held high offices in the Chapter. The present officers of the St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter are as follows:

High Priest, Alfred F. Chapman; King, Charles W. Romney; Scribe, William S. Hills; Captain of the Host, William F. Pierce; Principal Sojourner, Joseph N. Pierce, Jr.; Royal Arch Captain, Gideon T. Mansfield; Master Third Vail, Wooster B. Mayhew; Master Second Vail, Seranus Bowen; Master First Vail, George S. Eastman; Treasurer, John McClellan; Secretary, Thomas Waterman.

The Chapter, with the exception of a term which continued during the days of the Revolution, have continued to work, meeting in 1770 at the "Green Dragon Tavern," in Union street, in 1805 at "Masons' Hall," north side of the market house, in 1817 in the new Masonic Hall in the Exchange Coffee House, and from that time, following the Grand Lodge, in the various apartments which it has occupied since that date.

General Joseph Warren, who fell at Bunker Hill, and Colonel Paul Revere, of Revolutionary fame, were among the earlier members. Colonel Henry Purkitt, who was present when the tea was thrown overboard in Boston harbor, on the 16th of December, 1773; Major Benjamin Russell, the journalist; Major John Bray, who was robbed by Martin, the highwayman, on Medford turnpike, in 1821, which act led to the arrest of Martin; Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris, D. D., a member of the Massachusetts Historical Society; Andrew Sigourney, formerly Treasurer of the town of Boston; Dr. John Dixwell, a valued member of the medical fraternity; Colonel Daniel L. Gibbens, well known to many of our venerable citizens; Col. Ruel Baker, formerly High Priest of the Chapter; Jonas Chickering, a name honored in this city, where his liberality did so much to promote a taste for music; Francis J. Oliver, the first President of the American Insurance Company, and one of the prominent young men who at the call of John Adams, in 1798, founded the Boston Light Infantry, with a host of others prominent in their day and generation, have been enrolled as Companions of this Chapter. They have all passed on, but the roll of members contains the name of many active and respected citizens, who cherish the associations of the past and seek to perpetuate by their influence the high position of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter.

INVITATIONS AND REPLIES.

The Chapter, through its Committee of Arrangements, extended invitations to distinguished Companions in various sections of the Union. The replies received indicate the interest taken everywhere in the celebration. Kent Jarvis of Ohio writes: "I trust the fires upon the altar of St. Andrew's have, for these hundred years, continued steadily to lighten the pathway of many a 'weary, way-worn traveler,' and that those who now have its interests in keeping, as well as those who may come after them, may ever be worthy to follow in the footsteps of those shining lights who have gone before, and thus perpetuate through all time that intelligent devotion to the Order for which the Companions of good 'old Boston' are now so justly celebrated." M. E. H. P., A. V. H. Carpenter of Milwaukee writes: "That your celebration will be a success is beyond a doubt, *for no New England enterprise ever failed.*" Other letters from eminent members of the Order were received.

THE AFTERNOON EXERCISES.

The formal exercises of the occasion were held in the afternoon in the elegant Sutton Hall in the Temple, and were enjoyed by about two hundred spectators. At a few minutes past four o'clock the members of St. Andrew's Chapter entered the hall and took the seats assigned them. The Committee of Arrangements first made their report through Mr. Richard Briggs, in which it was stated that many of the invitations to members from abroad to be present had been declined with letters of regret, one of which, from Hon. Kent Garvis of Ohio, he read. The Committee was then authorized to wait upon the invited guests present and escort them into the hall. As they entered the hall the members of the Order present rose and saluted them. Among the guests were: Doctor J. W. Austin of New York; R. S. Brunz of Charleston, S. C.; J. H. Drummond, Portland; Thos. A. Doyle, Providence; James Kimball, Salem; Henry Chickering, Pittsfield; Charles A. Welch, Waltham. M. E. High Priest A. F. Chapman then welcomed the guests and the company as follows:

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

Most Excellent General Grand High Priest of the Most Excellent General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States of America; Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and Companions, representatives of your several Jurisdictions: You are all especially welcome on this historic day; a day about to become immortal in the annals of Freemasonry, but more especially in those of Royal Arch Masonry. One hundred years ago the Arch of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter was formed in this city for the welcome and reception of candidates; to-day another Arch is formed, which spans a century of time, and beneath its lustrous crown St. Andrew's Chapter, with fraternal regard, receives you as the honorable heads and representatives of honorable bodies, and with gladness welcomes you to her freest hospitalities. For a hundred years, Companions, and through various degrees of fortune, men have been accustomed to come into and go out from her sanctum sanctorum with full confidence that their coming would be hailed with pleasure, and that in their going they would carry the best wishes of their Companions and the Chapter with them.

And now, in her venerable age and mature experience, and on this centennial day, she opens wide her arms to give her children welcome. With equal alacrity and regard she has bidden you to come and be witnesses of and participators in her prosperous and comely joy; her wish and desire is to welcome you as her own to her sacred sanctuary. Within its White Vail abideth Love, Harmony and Peace; with these she unites us by the sweetest, truest touch of nature that makes us all akin; be you therefore not only with us, but of us; being of our faith be of our household, also, for you are very, very welcome. Be seated, Companions, and at home with us.

After the guests were seated Mr. Wm. Parkman, in the absence of Mr. Solon Thornton, read the charter of the Chapter, after which "*Jubilate Deo*" was beautifully sung by the Masonic choir, composed of the following gentlemen: First tenors, Messrs. Daniel F. Fitz, Wm. H. Fessenden and Edward Prescott; second tenors, Messrs. Wm. H. Damill and Charles C. Wentworth; first bass, Messrs. J. J. Kimball and John B. Rhodes; second bass, Messrs. M. W. Whitney, A. C. Ryder and Henry C. Barnabee. Mr. Howard M. Dow officiated as organist.

M. E. High Priest Chapman then addressed the Chapter as follows:

ADDRESS TO CHAPTER, ETC.

Companions of St. Andrew's Chapter: In arranging for the Centennial Celebration your committee thought it wise to have the graver portion of the programme performed in the afternoon, reserving the more social features for the evening. Having now arrived at the time when we are to share alike in the result of our labors, we shall proceed with confidence to their completion. The noiseless, ceaseless foot fall of time has marched along; this solemn hour it marks the completion of a period of time in which three generations have been called "to that bourne from whence no traveler returns;" none are left to tell of their experience at its beginning, yet infinite grace and mercy have been granted through all the years of its duration. The God of our fathers is still gracious and merciful. Let us all, now, at the end of one century and the beginning of another, reverently invoke his blessing.

Prayer was then offered by the Chaplain, Rev. Companion John P. Robinson, after which the choir sung the following ode, written for the occasion by Companion Wm. T. Adams:

THE CENTENNIAL ODE.

Hail, Mystic Art! from ages gone,
In triumph to the present borne,
Thy years in centuries still roll on
While Time's vast wrecks the mighty mourn.
Hail, Mystic Art! whose altars blaze
Grand Masters saw in ancient days;
Hail, Mystic Art! whose altar's light
Still flames before our wondering sight.

The Temple, built by God's command;
The kingly craftsmen, widow's son,
And all the vast masonic band
That reared its stately walls, are gone;
Glory to God! the Art still lives;
Light to the faithful still it gives;
Faith, Hope and Charity proclaims;
Honors and loves its hallowed names.

A hundred years are but a day,
O Mystic Art! in thy long line;
But, glorying in our years, we lay
Our Century on thy ancient shrine.
Take up the Wreath of Years we give,
O Mystic Art! and let it live,
Garnered with ages past, to bloom,
Like the acacia, o'er our tomb.

Beneath the mighty Mystic Arch,
That joins the Present and the Past,
The ages still shall grandly march,
The Arch shall ages yet outlast.
Truth ever mighty must prevail,
Light to the faithful ne'er shall fail;
Then, dare we, in this vale of tears,
I ledge thee another Hundred Years.

The ode was very finely sung, Messrs. Whitney and Barnabee alternating in solo parts.

M. E. High Priest Chapman then introduced the orator of the day in the following remarks:

INTRODUCTION OF THE ORATOR.

Companions and Guests: Among the most pleasant duties which devolve upon me is that by which I have the honor to introduce to you a distinguished and much respected Companion, one of whose fame you have often heard as a wise and accomplished Mason. I am sure that it needs no praise of mine to commend him to your great esteem But wherever and whenever effective Masonic labor is to be done, or a word needs to be fitly spoken, he among the ready is ever readiest found. I now present to you the orator, Companion William Sewall Gardner.

The orator then delivered a very able address, of which the following is an abstract:

THE ADDRESS.

The address was delivered by Companion William S. Gardner, Esq., the present Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, who gave a historical sketch in detail of the Royal Arch degree, tracing it from its earliest origin to the present day, and alluding at considerable length to the introduction of the order into this country. He alluded to the fact that they had met to celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of a society first organized when Massachusetts was a province of Great Britain, and when Hutchinson, of historic fame, was Governor, appointed by the Crown to serve his royal master in this distant colony. The year 1769 was one noted in historic annals, for during that year men eminent in varied walks of life were born. The year 1769 gave birth to Napoleon, Wellington, Cuvier, Humboldt, Chataubriand, Brunel, Mohammed Ali, Huskinson and De Witt Clinton, the American statesman and patron of Masonry. The lapse of a century renders the consideration of a branch of the great fraternity of Freemasons one of interest to all. Within the last one hundred years Masonry has expanded into different grades and rites, and among them all in some form is found the degree of the Royal Arch. Its origin is a question of some doubt.

The speaker then dwelt in a manner indicating the fidelity of his research upon the contest which so long existed between the Grand Lodge of York and the Grand Lodge of all England, and the difficulties which arose between the so-called Ancient and Modern Masons, which terminated in 1813, when by solemn act of union the United Grand Lodge of England was formed upon the basis that pure Ancient Masonry consists of three degrees and no more, viz: Those of the Entered Apprentice, the Fellow Craft and the Master Mason, including the Supreme Degree of the Holy Royal Arch.

There are conflicting statements among the early Masonic writers as to the date when the Royal Arch was instituted; but it would seem that Chevalier Ramsay, who in 1736 was Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of France, came to England in 1740, and in the opinion of the speaker it would seem that Ramsay invented the Royal Arch Degree, and that between 1728 and 1743, probably in the year 1740, in the interest of Charles Edward the Pretender, he brought over to England several new degrees, among which was one called the Royal Arch; that he first offered these degrees to the London Grand Lodge, and upon its refusal to accept them that he tendered them to the Ancients, and that Laurence Dermott thus became possessed of the groundwork of his fourth degree.

The speaker then alluded to the introduction of the degree into the United States. As early as 1758 Lodge No. 3 of Philadelphia worked as a Chapter, conferring the Royal Arch in communion with a military Chapter working under a warrant, No. 351, granted by the Grand Lodge of all England. The establishment of military lodges in royal regiments was then common, and regiments stationed at Boston had warranted lodges attached to them, and through them the conflict between ancient and modern masons was introduced into this country. An attempt was made by the brethren in these military lodges to visit the lodges established under the Provincial Grand Master, Henry Price of Boston, but they were repulsed. Under this state of things they applied to the Grand Lodge of Scotland for a charter, and on the 13th of November, 1756, a warrant was granted by the name of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 82, which is substantially in form like the one now used by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. It grants to the petitioners and their successors full and ample power to meet, convene and assemble in a regular lodge, and receive Apprentices, pass Fellow Crafts and raise Master Masons. There is no allusion in the charter to Royal Arch, nor to any other than these specified degrees.

The speaker then alluded to the steps taken to form a Provincial Grand Lodge, which resulted in Joseph Warren being commissioned. August 28, 1769, the first recorded meeting of the Royal Arch Lodge was held in Boston, and the record is as follows:

"At a Royal Arch Lodge held at Masons' Hall, Boston, New England, August 28, 1769. Present, The R. W. Brother James Brown, M.; Charles Chamber, S. W.; Winthrop Gray, J. W.; Wm. McMillen, Henry Glynn, Wm. McKane, John Wordington, Joshua Loring, D. Sy.

The petition of Brother William Davis coming before the Lodge, begging to have and receive the Parts belonging to a Royal Arch Mason, which being read was received and was accordingly made by receiving the four steps, that of Excellent, Super Excellent, Royal Arch and Kt. Templar."

This is believed to have been the first record of conferring the Order of Knights Templars in this country, and was given as a part of the Royal Arch or as an Honorary Degree until December 19, 1794, after which time the record is silent in regard to it.

The authority for holding the Royal Arch Lodge was probably derived from Grand Master Joseph Warren, who, in May 14, 1770, received the several steps gratis. On the 24th of February, 1773, he attended a meeting for the last time. While his attendance upon the Massachusetts Grand Lodge, over which he presided, was constant, public affairs of the gravest consequence required his earnest attention. In June, 1775, his earthly career was abruptly closed, and he fell on Bunker Hill, one of the first martyrs to the cause of liberty, which he had so zealously exposed. No name in the annals of American history, said the speaker, is more precious than that of General Warren, and no name in the long list of Masonic worthies—which begins with that of Washington—is dearer to the Masons of Massachusetts and of America than that of their Past Master, the early departed patriot, Brother Joseph Warren.

The speaker alluded to the connection of the Royal Arch degree with the St. Andrew's Lodge, and to the subsequent history of the degree at considerable length, tracing with historical accuracy the growth and progress of this branch of the order and the changes which have been made in the work. This portion of the address possesses peculiar interest to students of masonic literature, and will be regarded as a valuable contribution by all who take an interest therein. What is now known as the American system of Royal Arch Masonry was introduced into St. Andrew's Chapter by that distinguished Mason, Thomas Smith Webb, who was assisted in his work by John Hanmer, both of whom hailed from Temple Chapter, Albany, New York. Webb was a native of Boston, and was the author of many important changes in the ritual and government. The concluding portion of the address was devoted to the consideration of the degrees, and received the marked attention of all present. As it will no doubt be published, the above will merely serve to attract attention to a production which reflects great credit upon the author.

At the close of the address, which occupied over an hour, a hymn of thanksgiving written for the occasion, was sung by the choir, and closed the exercises of the afternoon.

THE EVENING FESTIVITIES.

The Committee of Arrangements had most judiciously assigned to the afternoon the literary portion of the ceremony, devoting the evening hours to the pure festivities of the occasion. By eight o'clock the beautiful Temple was illuminated from entresol to turret, and the peculiar architectural features of the edifice seemed specially adapted for a display, which attracted many to the vicinity. The interior view of Sutton, Corinthian and Egyptian halls, when lighted up by the jets of the massive chandeliers, was grand and imposing. The artistic embellishments of the magnificent apartments, with the symbolic designs illustrating the great principles of the order, were admired by many distinguished visiting brethren, while those familiar with the interiors, derived renewed pleasure by witnessing the many beauties of the building under such happy auspices. The neatly frescoed ante rooms and armories of the Sir Knights were thrown open, affording to the hundreds an opportunity for conversation or promenade. It would require a pen skilled in the secrets of modes and fashions to describe the appearance of the ladies, or do justice to their toilets. While there was a pleasing absence of those extremes which rule the world of fashion, and which only cause men to think how fearfully and wonderfully fair women can make up, there were present many evidences of equisite taste, and many representatives of the varied types of beauty which have given Boston ladies a proud pre-eminence throughout the country. If maidenly beauty charmed, the dignity of many Boston matrons was never more attractive.

THE CONCERT.

By eight o'clock Sutton Hall was crowded to overflowing with the mmbbers of the Chapter and their lady and gentlemen friends, and the hall presented a brilliant appearance. Shortly after eight o'clock M. E. High Priest Chapman welcomed the ladies to the festivities in the following words:

Ladies, in resuming the exercises of this celebration the pleasant duty is mine to give you a *cordial welcome* to the best attentions in our power to bestow. Your comfort was considered when we decided to invite you in the evening only. We did not indulge in any hidden mysteries this afternoon—the secrets we practiced were in reality no secrets at all; but in token of our affection we received our gentlemen guests with a sign, and with which, in behalf of St. Andrew's Chapter, I now receive you, near to our hearts, ladies, for we are very glad at your presence with us. The entire services will probably be put in print, for the perusal of all who feel disposed, and your greater leisure will no doubt enhance your pleasure in reading.

The concert which the Committee of Arrangements had provided to open the evening's pleasures was then begun. It was given by the Masonic Choir, composed of the male voices mentioned above and Mrs. H. M. Smith, Miss Anna S. Whitten, and Miss Addie Ryan, all under the direction of Companion Howard M Dow. It was opened by the Cantanta, "The Praise of Friendship," which was written and composed in the year 1791 by Mozart for a Masonic Lodge of which he was an honored and efficient member, and was performed under his direction at a festival of this lodge a short time prior to his death, which occurred November 5 of the same year. The chorus was sung by the male voices, one recitation by Companion D. F. Fitz, another by Mrs. H. M. Smith, and an aria also by that lady. A solo and duet followed by Misses Whitten and Ryan, which was finely rendered. Mozart's aria, "Who Treads the Path of Duty," was then spiritedly given by Mr. Barnabee. The remainder of the programme included "The Gay Pilgrim," by Mangold, sung by the male voices; "A Mariners Home by the Sea," by Randegger, sung by Comp. M. W. Whitney; the waltz song by Wentworth, Come Let's Dance," and sung by the choir; Concone's "On the Ocean," by Mrs. Smith, Miss Whitten and Miss Ryan, and Mangold's "Forest Song," by the male voices of the choir. The concert was throughout of the finest character, and was worthy of the occasion. Mr. Barnabee was called out, and by request favored the audience with two of his comic songs, which created no little merriment. The concert was closed by a fine hymn, written for the occasion by Comp. Wm. T. Adams, which was sung by the audience to the tune of Auld Lang Syne.

M. E. High Priest Chapman then said that the Committee of Arrangements had received a large number of replies to the invitations which had been extended to them to be present. He had just received the following dispatch, which he read to the audience:

ST. JOHN, N. B., Sept. 29.

To A F. Chapman: We regret that engagements prevent our being with you to-day. We offer our congratulations to St. Andrew's Chapter on its Centennial Celebration.

R. T. CLINCH,
B. LESTER PETERS.

High Priest Chapman stated that Mr. Clinch was Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, and Mr. Peters was the Most Worshipful Grand Commander of the Lodge at the present time. He then detailed the arrangements which the committee had provided for the company in the way of the banquet, dancing and promenading, and invited the gathering to proceed to the enjoyment of them, hoping that none would leave until an early hour in the morning.

THE BANQUET.

The supper tables were spread in Sutton Hall and Egyptian Hall supper rooms, and it is safe to say that nothing superior to the banquet has been laid upon tables in this city at an affair of this kind. The Committee secured the services of Calvin T. D. Cook, and gave him a carte blanche as to expense, giving directions where they wanted purchases made and of what kind. The two large tables were loaded with every delicacy which could be asked for, and were beautifully adorned with large bouquets of flowers. In Sutton Hall supper room the Committee, comprising Companions Albert T. Whiting, Wm. M. Moulton, Wm. S. Anderson, George E. Hall and Otis E. Weld, were assiduous in their labors to see that the wants of every one were supplied. At Egyptian Hall supper room Companions Seranus Bowen, G. T. Mansfield, Wm. F. Pierce and E. J. Lang were equally attentive. As fast as any considerable inroad was made upon the viands tables were resupplied, and it was stated that ample provision had been made to keep up the feast all night.

PROMENADING AND DANCING.

A large and very fine instrumental band, under the direction of Mr. Brown of the Brigade Band, was in attendance throughout the evening and as long as the festivities were continued, and furnished music for promenading and dancing. In the earlier part of the evening a large share of the ladies visited the halls upon the various floors of the Temple, and were shown the mysteries. Attentive committees were upon each floor for the direction and comfort of guests, who were much indebted to them for their courtesy. Upon Sutton Hall floor were Companions George O. Carpenter, R. M. Field, W. B. Mayhew and J. N. Pierce, Jr. Upon Egyptian Hall floor were Companions Marborough Williams, Geo. T. Ambrose, Seth T. Davis and Henry F. Ames. On Gothic Hall floor were Companions Edward Stearns, John Mack, Joseph McIntire, George S. Eastman and Wm. O. Clough. The dancing took place in the banquet-hall in the upper part of the Temple, and furnished all the pleasure which could be desired. The selections in the order of dances were well arranged, and kept the company busy and happy until an early hour this morning.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Among the prominent gentlemen who were present during the evening were Past Grand Masters Dana and Parkman of Massachusetts; Dr. James M. Austin, G. H. Priest of the Grand Chapter of the United States; Robert Bruns of Charleston, S. C., Deputy Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of the United States; Josiah Drummond, P. G. M. of the Grand Chapter of Maine; Thomas A. Doyle of Providence, R. I., P. G. M. of the Grand Chapter of Rhode Island; Henry Chickering of Pittsfield, E. H. P. of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts; W. M. Wm. S. Gardner, G. M. of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; Wm. R. Alger, G. P. Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; Ben. Perley Poore, of the Thirty-third Masonic Degree; His Honor Mayor Shurtleff, Col. Marshal P. Wilder, Gen. Wm. Sutton and others. The entire arrangements of the celebration were upon a magnificent scale and no expense or labor was spared to make the affair worthy of the one hundredth anniversary of the Chapter.

Grand Royal Arch Chapter
OF *MASSACHUSETTS.*

A STATED Meeting of the *Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts*, will be held at Mason's-Hall, Ann-street, Boston, on TUESDAY, the 15th day of June next, at 6 o'clock, P.M.—at which time and place a punctual attendance of the Officers and Members is requested. By direction of

M. E. JAS. D. HOPKINS, Esq. *G. H. P't.*
EDW'D HORSMAN, *Gd Sec'y.*

Boston, may 26, 1813

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Mass.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a stated meeting of the *Grand R. A. Chapter* of this Commonwealth, will be holden at Masons-Hall, Ann-street, Boston, on TUESDAY the 13th day of June next, at 6 o'clock, P. M. At which time and place a general and punctual attendance of the Officers and Members and all concerned is requested. *By Order of M. E.* JNO. ABBOT, Esq. *H.P.*

may 24 JOHN LORING, *G. Sec'y.*

GRAND R. A. CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Notice is hereby given, that a stated communication of the M. E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this Commonwealth, will be holden at the Masons' Hall, Ann street, Boston, on Tuesday the 10th day of June ensuing, at 7 o'clock, P. M at which time and place a general and punctual attendance of all concerned is requested. By order of M. E. ANDREW SIGOURNEY, Esq. G. H. P.

JOHN J. LORING, *Grand Secretary.*

Boston, May 28, A. L. 5817.

Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a stated communication of the M. E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this Commonwealth, will be held at Mason's-Hall, Boston, on Tuesday the 9th day of June next, at 7 o'clock, P. M at which time and place a general and punctual attendance of the officers and members and all concerned is requested.

By order of
M. E. ANDREW SIGOURNEY, Esq. *G. H. P.*
JOHN J. LORING, *G. S.*

Boston, 26th May, A. L 5818.

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

NOTICE is hereby given that a stated Communication of the M. E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this Commonwealth, will be held at Mason's hall, Boston, on Tuesday, the 13th day of June ensuing, at 7 o'clock, P. M. All concerned will take due notice thereof and govern themselves accordingly.—

By direction of the M. E. and Hon. JAMES PRESCOTT, *G. H. P.*

may 31 1820. JOHN J. LORING, *G. S.*

Grand Royal Arch Chaper of Massachusetts.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a stated Communication of the M. E. Grand R. A. Chapter of this Commonwealth, will be held at Mason's Hall, Old State House, Boston, on *Tuesday*, the 12th of June ensuing, at 7 o'clock, P. M. at which time and place a general and punctual attendance of all concerned is requested.

By direction of M. E. JON'A GAGE, Esq. *G. H. P.*

JOHN J. LORING, G. S.

May 29, *A. L.* 5821. tm

Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts.

Notice is hereby given, that a stated communication of the *M. E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this Commonwealth*, will be held at Mason's Hall, Boston, on *Tuesday Evening*, the 11th of June ensuing, at 7 o'clock. At which time and place a general and punctual attendance of all concerned is requested.

By direction of the *M. E.* JONATHAN GAGE Esq. *G. H P.*

JOHN J. LORING, *G. Sec'y.*

Boston, 21 *May*, 1822.

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

Notice is hereby given, that a stated Communication of the M. E. Grand R. A. Chapter of this Commonwealth, will be held at Mason's Hall, Boston, on *Tuesday*, the 8th day of June ensuing, at seven o'clock, P. M. at which time and place, a general and punctual attendance of all concerned is requested.

By direction of M. E. and Rev. PAUL DEAN, G. H. Priest. JOHN J. LORING, *G. Sec'y.*

Boston, June 2, *A. L.* 5824.

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NOTICE is hereby given that a stated Communication of the M. E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this Commonwealth, will be held at Mason's Hall, on TUESDAY the 10th of June next, at 3 o'clock, P. M. The Officers, Members, and all concerned, will take due notice thereof and govern themselves accordingly.

By direction of M. E. DANIEL L. GIBBENS, G. H. P.

Attest, SAMUEL HOWE, G. Sec.

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Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts.

Notice is hereby given that a Stated communication of the M. E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this Commonwealth will be holden at Mason's-Hall Boston, on TUESDAY the seventh day of December next, at 6 o'clock, P. M. At which time and place a general and punctual attendance of all concerned is requested.

By directions of M. E. and Hon. JAMES PRESCOTT, G. H P.

JOHN J LORING G. S.

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of
MASSACHUSETTS.

A STATED Meeting of the *Grand Royal Arch Chapter* will be held at *Mason's Hall*, ANN-STREET, *Boston*, on *TUESDAY*, the 18th current, at 6 o'clock, P M at which time and place a punctual attendance of the Officers and Members is requested. *By Direction of the*

M. E. ISAIAH THOMAS, Esq G. H P.
EDW'D HORSMAN, *Grand Sec'y.*

June 7

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

NOTICE is hereby given that a stated Communication of the M. E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this Commonwealth, will be held at Mason's Hall, Boston, on Tuesday, the 13th day of June ensuing, 7 o'clock, P. M. All concerned will take due notice thereof and govern themselves accordingly.

By direction of the M. E. and Hon. JAMES PRESCOTT, *G. H. P.*

may 31 JOHN J. LORING, *G. S.*

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a special communication of the M. E. Grand R. A. Chapter, will be held in the Town of Medway, on FRIDAY, the 24th inst, at 9 o'clock, A. M. for the purpose of consecrating Mt. Lebanon R. A. Chapter, and instaling the officers in ancient form. All concerned will take due notice thereof and govern themselves accordingly.

By direction of the M. E. and Rev. PAUL DEAN, G. H. P. Attest SAM'L HOWE, *Grand Secretary.*

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N B. Publick services to commence at 10 o'clock.

Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts.

Notice is hereby given, that a stated communication of the *M E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this Commonwealth*, will be held at Mason's Hall, Boston, on *Tuesday Evening*, the 11th of June ensuing, at 7 o'clock. At which time and place a general and punctual attendance of all concerned is requested.

By direction of the *M. E.* JONATHAN GAGE Esq. *G. H P.*

JOHN J. LORING, *G. Sec'y.*

Boston, 21 *May*, 1822.

NOTICE

Corson's Account of Corson's Coronation.

The following account of the coronation of that prince of good fellows, and Hierophant of waggery, Ill. Bro. Thomas J. Corson, 33°, Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence of G. Chapter of New Jersey, at the congregation of his compeers from other States, at the period of the meeting of the General Grand Bodies of the United States, at Baltimore, last September, is too good not to be widely circulated. We clip it from published Proceedings, G. Chapter of New Jersey. The speech of Simons is not only chaste and simple, but classical:

Directly after the adjournment of the Reporters' Convention, a mysterious movement took place among the brethren, which seemed to indicate that serious business was about to be transacted. Order was called, and Comp. John W. Simons, of New York, took the chair. He stated that the object of the meeting would be set forth by the chairman of a committee which had been previously appointed. Whereupon Adonis Hopkins, of Pennsylvania, stepped forth, with that peculiar grace of motion and serenely sweet expression of countenance for which he is so renowned, and of the possession of which he himself does not seem to be entirely ignorant. He informed us that he had been appointed, with others, to inquire and ascertain who was most worthy of the title of Poet Laureate of the Masonic Fraternity of the United States, Canadas, and dependencies thereunto belonging; and to prepare and present to such one the crown to which his merits had entitled him. Many, very many applicants had striven for the honor, but the Committee, unbiased by prejudice, and unawed by fear, had unanimously awarded the prize to one whose modest and retiring nature had prevented him from entering the lists with his more clamorous competitors. But the Committee had discovered the transcendent merits of one who, like the gentle violet, shunned the gaze of the public eye, choosing to remain in quiet unobtrusiveness rather than to seek the meretricious applause of the undiscriminating public. The Committee had, therefore, awarded the crown to the author of these beautifully pathetic lines:

"I want to be a Poet
And with the Poets stand,
A crown upon my bare head,
The Greenbacks in my hand.

"Bring on the crown at once, James.
Or, if that cannot be;
Just send it by express, dear,
And mark it C. O. D."

The author, being present, was conducted to the centre of the room, where Sir James addressed him at considerable length, presenting him a most magnificently gorgeous CROWN, which was studded with diamonds and precious stones, and beautifully interwoven with laurel, on which, in bold relief, appeared the mysterious characters "C. O. D." (Sir Hopking then produced a musical instrument, vulgarly denominated a *Jews*-harp, which he was about to present to the coronated Poet, but the President entered a demurrer, saying that he considered that to be a personal reflection upon himself, as he would explain when he came to speak of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, to which no Israelite could give allegiance.) A plethoric bundle of greenbacks was then brought out of Sir Hopkins's pocket, which the Poet grabbed with what seemed to us unseemly haste and anxiety. Sir James proceeded to enlarge upon the immortality of fame and the utter worthlessness of other sublunary possessions, when he put his hand to his head, and suddenly a most horrid pallor overspread his usually placid countenance—he gasped for breath—he reeled—he staggered—and he would have fallen, but for the friendly arm of Comp. Drummond, who by *Main*(e) force dragged him from the room out into the fresh air. Dr. Mason, of the District, was called to attend to the sufferer, and by almost superhuman exertions he succeeded in restoring him. He says it cost him forty-five cents to do it—he had to administer *three* doses of medicine, and the proprietor of Barnum's Hotel declared that he couldn't afford to sell *that quantity* for less than fifteen cents a dose. The Doctor reported that Comp. Hopkins explained the cause of the sudden attack, by telling him that, as he placed his hand to his head, he was horrified to find that one strand of his back hair had become disarranged, whereupon mortification set in at once.

Comp. Simons, seeing this opportunity of "saying a few words," (his friends declare that there is no danger of his early desease—in fact that he can't *die early* because he must *di-late*), commenced to address the crown'd Poet in a magniloquent oration, composed chiefly of choice Cherokee, interspersed with beautiful quotations from the Choctaw. He said:

"Illustrious and most highly elevated Son of Parnassus: The diaphragmatic expansiveness which titillates the peristaltic mucosity of my internal microcosm as I reverently allocute your Sovereign Highness, thus paying tributary honor to the luminosity of your scintillating symphonies, leads me solicitously to impregnate your intellectual cerebral convultions with a realizing sense of the iniquitous sinuosities and exacerbating tergiversations which so horriperently characterizes the Grand Lodge of Hamburg. May your delectable anticipations during your allotment of terrestrial subcelestial felicity, and may your mellifluous suspirations waft your apotheosized and apothegmatical fame to the empyrean altitude so complacently occupied by Walt. Whitman and Oofty Goofty. Direct, I imploringly solicit you, the damnatory fulminations of your incandescent genius to the rectification of the diabolical iniquitousness of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg. Ever bear in mind the obligatory duties enjoined upon you by the words of the classic poet—*damnatus est. per sæcula, Lodgibus Grandiosa de Hamburg.*"

The rest of this eloquent oration we could not hear, on account of the terrific applause which took place. However, Simons kept on—on—on—and would have kept on until daylight, if it not been for the fact that he sank from physical exhaustion just as he was thundering out something about the "Grand Lodge of Ham—," and the sentence remained uncompleted.

This coronation differed very materially from that of the present gracious Queen who rules over the destinies of our ancestral land, and who has proved herself to be the best monarch whose brow was ever graced by a coronet. In her case we are told that "she wept—aye, wept—to wear a crown." But in this case the weeping was done by those who didn't have a chance to wear the crown. The recipient of this honor responded meekly and modestly to the overwhelming compliment tendered to him, although we could see that his natural diffidence and innate modesty prevented him from more fully expressing his gratitude.

Much discussion arose as to the meaning of the cabalistic characters, "C. O. D.," which occupied so prominent a place upon the coronal adornment. Some said they stood for "Crown Of Delight." Others contended that they read backward, "Doc," thus symbolizing the profession of the wearer. Dr. Mackey stated that he had often met those hieroglyphics in his investigations of the Eleusinian Mysteries, and that they were intended to insinuate that he who had received the crown had fallen into "Deuced Ornary Company." But the learned Dr. Creigh declared that in the Aryan language, in which, as he says, the early records of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania are written, these obscure initials stand for "Corson's Own Doing." However, the whole subject is involved in so much obscurity that a Committee of Investigation has been appointed to inquire into and settle the matter.

The Heralds blew their trumpets—all of them having been selected for their skill in *blowing*—and made the proclamation—Microscope Patton, of Mississippi proclaimed it in the South; Quo-Ad Hornor, of Louisiana, proclaimed it in the East; Saint Gouley, of Missouri, proclaimed it in the West; Tabular Statement of Drummond, of Maine, proclaimed it in the North—that Innominata Clarissima was crowned as Poet Laureate of the Masonic Fraternity, throughout the broad domain of these great United States, Canadas, Rhode Island and other Territories and dependencies thereunto adjoining.

R. A. CHAPLAINS.—As several of the Royal Chapters in this State have elected Chaplains, the question has been asked of us, as to the duties they are expected to perform. We cannot give the sought for information, but would observe that we have always supposed it was the duty of the High Priest to perform the religious services in his Chapter, especially after he had been anointed.

ROYAL ARCH MASONRY.

The most enthusiastic statistician that is generally known to the fraternity is Ill. Josiah H. Drummond, of Portland, Maine, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. The tables he has compiled from year to year have commanded the attention of the erudite Masons throughout the country, and has been freely used by the Grand Secretaries in the various jurisdictions. Noticing one of his tables republished in the Transactions of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, we give for the benefit of our readers some facts gathered from these figures which may prove interesting:

	Chapters.	Members.
New York*	191	17,642
Illinois	168	10,671
Ohio	136	8 464
Pennsylvania	97	10,747
Massachusetts	68	9,227
Michigan	100	7,385
Maine	42	4,124
Oregon	13	415
Nevada	8	802
Colorado	7	359
Delaware	6	320
Florida	8	280

* By the latest return of Grand Secretary C. G. Fox, there has been a net decrease of 879, leaving the number of Royal Arch Masons in this jurisdiction on the 1st of January last at 16,741.

The above table presents some startling facts for the contemplation of the members of Hamilton Chapter, No. 62. For example, there are five jurisdictions with all the machinery of Grand Officers, fourteen in number, to govern in each State a considerably less roll of Royal Arch Masons than are in good standing in the Chapter named. Nor is the case improved by a further examination of the table we are commenting upon. Here, for instance, is Kansas, with 32 chapters, reporting 1,153 members, an average of less than 39 to each. Kentucky, with 92 chapters, reports 3,794, while Connecticut, with only 35 chapters, returns 3,837 members. In other words, the Nutmeg State has 57 less chapters than the jurisdiction bordering the Ohio River, and yet can boast of 43 more men interested in the Capitular Degrees.

Of course it is not strange that in this State, with its greater population, the record should give such a favorable showing, but it will be observed that in number of chapters Illinois exceeds both Ohio and Pennsylvania, while the last named, with 71 less chapters, gives a greater aggregate membership by 76. In conclusion, we add a statement heretofore published in the *Herald*, that there are two chapters in Philadelphia and one in Chicago that report over 500 members, thereby exceeding the number in Hamilton Chapter; hence our place on the roll is *fourth*, followed closely by St. Andrew's Chapter, at Boston, with its 470 Royal Arch Masons.

Moreover, the Grand Chapters of Delaware and all the small jurisdictions are required by the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter to hold annual convocations the same as the greater jurisdictions, and in the triennial sessions of that august body their voice is equally potent with either New York or Illinois.
—*Rochester Herald.*

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EVENING EDITION.

FROM DENVER, COLORADO.

The Excursion of Representatives of the General Grand R. A. Chapter to Attend the Triennial Convocation at Denver, and Meeting of the General Grand Chapter, Etc.

[Special Correspondence of The Boston Journal.]

DENVER, Col., Aug. 14. The party comprising M. E. General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, Companion Alfred F. Chapman of Boston and suite, and the M. E. Grand Commander Sir Caleb Saunders and suite of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, which left Boston on Monday of last week via Boston and Lowell Railroad, arrived safely here on Friday. Since embarking on the Pullman car Nashua, leaving Boston, the trip has proved to be one of unalloyed pleasure to all participating. At Lowell, Nashua and Concord the train was boarded by prominent Masonic fraters, who not only offered their hearty good wishes for the comfort and happiness of the party, but left behind them substantial evidences thereof, which later proved that they had indeed been found wise among their companions. A hasty lunch at White River Junction and supper at St. Albans alone interrupted the remainder of the day's ride. Leaving Montreal in the early evening on the second section of the train, the journey continued without interruption, breakfasting on the cars Tuesday, dining at Toronto, and taking supper at Sarnia. During the stop of the train at Stratford, Ont., the members of the party assembled in the car, and Sir Albert L. Richardson was made the recipient of a Masonic memento, the gift of friends at this point. On the following morning the party were met by the unpleasant news that an accident had taken place upon the road and that they were liable to a detention of several hours. The discussion of an excellent breakfast in the dining car which was attached to our train occupied the early hours of the day, and when we again sped on our way, after a delay of four hours, the hearts of the entire company seemed once again to be at ease. The delay, however, did not interfere with the plans of the trip, except that the four hours' leisure in Chicago was a thing not to be. Journeying westward over the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad the ride and scenery to Council Bluffs were much praised. Cool and pleasant weather had been the order of the day since our start and has since continued. The freedom from dust enabled all to take the utmost comfort—a thing scarcely to have been hoped for at this season of the year. The few hours in Omaha were availed of by the ladies of the party, who "did the town," while the male members were engaged in looking after the important details necessary at this point. A ride across the plains without other than the usual accompaniment of sand and dust brought us to Denver on Friday morning, where we were met at the depot by the Denver Reception Committee, which had arranged for our comfort and convenience during our stay here. Apartments had been engaged at the Windsor for the entire party, and upon taking possession of them, the evidences of the trip were speedily removed. The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado had arranged an excursion to Idaho Springs and Clear Creek Canon for Saturday, and at the appointed hour a special train left the Union Depot for what proved to be a day of pleasure seldom equaled. The morning was bright and pleasant, and none dreamed of what the day would bring forth. The journey to the Springs was one of wonderment for those who had never before witnessed the grandeur of Colorado scenery—the immense rocky sides of the canon stretching heavenward as far as the eye could reach. Reaching Idaho Springs, the hot soda baths, the hot tunnel, the ore crushers and mines were inspected, and dinner was taken at the Spa House. The repast had scarcely been completed when a thunder storm broke over the little village, and the rain fell in torrents. Central, a few miles above, was visited by a water-spout which carried away the railroad bridge, which was but a few steps from our own tracks, and which the party had the satisfaction of seeing after the rain without participating in any delay on account of it. The storm over, the mountains were covered with hail-stones, and those who desired were able to pick them up in larger quantities than they had ever before seen. The return trip was made after some shoveling had been done in advance of the engine, where the banks had been washed out, and during the entire distance the effects of the rain were enjoyed in watching the turbulent and muddy waters of the creek as they rushed through the canon beside the track, carrying everything in their way. Sunday morning a special train was taken on the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad for Manitou, and the day was spent in visiting the Garden of the Gods, Rainbow Falls, Cave of the Winds and Ute Pass. Dinner was served at the Manitou House, and the party reached Denver on the return at eleven o'clock in the evening, after a ride of one hundred and seventy miles. Much dissatisfaction was expressed by all at the treatment on the return by the management of the Windsor Hotel. A telegram had been sent saying that the party would return late, and asking that a late supper be in readiness. Judge of the surprise when they were seated to a lunch of dry bread and coffee, and coolly informed by the waiters that everything else was locked up. Luckily, all the eatables in Denver were not in a like condition, and with outside assistance none were obliged to go to bed hungry. A chance exists for great improvement in the service in this house, especially in the line of civility and courteous treatment in the dining room.

On Monday morning the General Grand Chapter of the United States and ladies, and also the representatives of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, were taken in open carriages for a drive about the city and suburbs, after which the representatives of the General Grand Chapter of the United States were escorted by Colorado Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templars (mounted), and the Grand Chapter of Colorado and Denver Chapter, No. 2, to the Masonic Temple, where the meeting of the General Grand Chapter of the United States was opened by a reception. The exercises consisted of an address of welcome by M. E. R. W. Woodbury, Grand High Priest of Colorado; response by M. E. Alfred F. Chapman of Massachusetts, Deputy General Grand High Priest, Acting General Grand High Priest; address of welcome by M. W. Frank Church, Grand Master of Masons of Colorado; response by R. E. Noble Larner of the District of Columbia, General Grand King, after which the business of the day was taken up.

The New England representatives present are as follows:

Maine—Frank E. Sleeper, G. H. P.

New Hampshire—John R. Holbrook, P. G. H. P. Geo. W. Currier, P. G. H. P.; Henry G. Dearborn proxy G. K.

Vermont—Alfred A. Hall, proxy of G. H. P. John W. Newton, proxy of G. S.

Massachusetts—Albert C. Smith, M. E. G. H. P. John Haigh, Dep. G. H. P.; W. A. Farnsworth, G. King; Albert L. Richardson, G. Scribe; Caleb Saunders, G. Treas.; C. C. Hutchinson, G. Sec'y. Charles H. Baldwin, G. Capt. of Host; James D. Rominus, G. R. A. C.; J. H. Gilbert, G. P. S.; O. A. Fay, G. M. 1st Veil; James Downes, G. M. 2d Veil; Samuel Smith, G. M. 3d Veil; Baalis Sanford, G. C.; George W. Fay, G. T.

Connecticut—John S. Castle, G. H. P.; Chester Tilden, D. G. H. P.; James McCormick, G. King.

In the evening the visitors attended a banquet at the Masonic Temple, given in their honor by the Grand Chapter of Colorado. The hour before the banquet was spent in social enjoyment in the lodge rooms. The conventional attire of the gentlemen and the rich costumes of the ladies made the assemblage most brilliant. The band in the ante-room enlivened the occasion with numerous selections, to the airs of which many scores promenaded.

At 10 o'clock at a signal the march into the banquet hall began. The scene that presented itself was attractive in the extreme. Extending the long length of the room were five tables with covers laid for 400 guests. The tables were ornamented with flowers worked in emblems most beautifully. The menu that was discussed was prepared in Charpiot's best style, and was as follows:

Hors Doeuvres.
Queen Olives, Pickles, Radishes, Anchovies.

FISH.
Colorado Trout, Sauce Verte.

SALADS.
Chicken, Mayonnaise of Lobster, Russe.

COLD MEATS.
Beef Tongue, a l'Ecarlate, Boned Turkey, en Bellevue, Westphalia Ham, Saddle of Veal, with Jelly, Spring Chicken, with Cresses.

DESSERT.
Nougat, Macaroons, Sponge Cake, Lady Fingers, Meringues, Cream Cakes, Mandelines, Carbeilles of Assorted Fruit, Coffee, Tutti Frutti, Ice Cream.

After the viands had been thoroughly discussed M. E. G. H. P. Woodbury introduced the Hon. W. D. Andrews as the toastmaster of the evening, who welcomed the visitors in a few well chosen remarks. He gave as the first sentiment of the evening: "The General Grand Chapter of the United States," the parent and guardian of all capitular Masonry in its jurisdiction. May its twenty-fifth convocation not only redound to the honor and glory of the order, but the ties of friendship and brotherly love here formed be "like the stone which the builders rejected, as firm and lasting as the key which completed the arch." Responded to by Alfred F. Chapman of Boston, General Grand High Priest.

Second sentiment—"The Silent Tribute." It is always well to pause in our festivities and cast a glance of remembrance at the past; to call to mind the happy reflections incident to the ties of brotherly love and friendship. Let us, therefore, in silence and reflection call to mind the virtues of mind and heart of "those companions who have passed over to the silent and unseen majority."

Third sentiment—"The Ladies." Our most excellent companions, the ladies. Last at the cross, first at the tomb and *always* in the hearts of our companions. When forgotten by us "may our tongue cleave to the roof of our mouth and our right hand forget its cunning." Responded to by Hugh McCurdy, P. G. H. P. of Michigan.

Fourth sentiment—"The Master Mason." The tried and selected material as the corner stone upon which our institution firmly rests; may the "great light" of Masonry be forever his rule and guide, securing his peace on earth and a lasting happiness in the life beyond. Responded to by the Rev. Lansing Burrows, D. D., of Lexington, Kentucky.

Fifth sentiment—"The Sir Knight." The valiant and magnanimous Sir Knight, whose glittering blade is ever ready in the defence of "innocent maidens, destitute widows, helpless orphans and the Christian religion." Responded to by Nicholas Van Slyck of Providence, Rhode Island.

Sixth sentiment—"Our Country." "The land of the free and the home of the brave." Music—"Our Country." Responded to by Rev. D. H. Moore of Denver.

Other Toasts—"The Universality of Masonry: more ancient than the golden fleece or the Roman eagle, more honorable than the star and garter, and includes men of every country, section and opinion." Responded to by Rev. J. W. Dadmun of Massachusetts.

"The Scottish Rite: That enlists the veterans in its ranks and carries them to that pinnacle of knowledge of the emblematic art, the Thirty-third Degree." Responded to by Joseph P. Horner (thirty-third degree) of Louisiana.

"The Mutual Admiration Society: the self-elected promoters and rulers of law and order in all grand jurisdictions of the several Masonic grand organizations, better known as the 'Committee on Foreign Correspondence.'" Replied to by Thomas McF. Patton of Oregon.

The termination of the entertainment was reached shortly before one o'clock, and the company, after partaking of a sip of "Colorado Champagne," retired to their respective quarters.

The General Grand Chapter resumed its session this morning and proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing term of three years, with the following result:

General Grand High Priest, Alfred F. Chapman of Boston, Mass.; Deputy General Grand High Priest, Noble D. Larner, Washington, D. C.; General Grand King, David F. Day, Buffalo, N. Y.; General Grand Scribe, Joseph P. Horner, New Orleans, La.; General Grand Treasurer, Reuben C. Lennon, Toledo, O.; General Grand Secretary, Chris. G. Fox, Buffalo, N. Y.; General Grand Captain of Host, Thomas McF. Patton, Portland, O.; General Grand Principal Sojourner, Benj. F. Haller, Memphis, Tenn.; General Grand Royal Arch Captain, R. W. Woodbury, Denver, Col.; General Grand Master Third Veil, William H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo.; General Grand Master Second Veil, Lansing Burrows, Lexington, Ky.; General Grand Master First Veil, John J. Sumpter, Hot Springs, Ark.

The newly-elected and appointed officers were installed by Past G. H. Priest A. T. C. Pierson of St. Paul, Minn.

The business transacted has been of a general nature and incident to the work of the order. The next convocation will take place in August, 1886, in the city of Washington, D. C.

The General Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, of the United States is holding its triennial meeting, the following members of the Grand Council of Massachusetts being present: John Haigh, M. Ill. Grand Master; Albert C. Smith, Deputy Grand Master; Charles H. Baldwin, Ill. Grand Master of the Work; C. C. Hutchinson, Ill. Grand Treasurer; Alfred F. Chapman, Ill. Grand Recorder; George W. Fay, Ill. Grand Master of Ceremonies; Caleb Saunders, Ill. Grand Conductor of Work; James D. Rominus, Ill. Grand Sentinel; Past M. Ill. Masters, Rev. John W. Dadmun, Albert L. Richardson; Past Deputy Grand Master William A. Farnsworth.

After the close of the session the members visited the Exposition and Smelting Works by invitation. Many of those present leave here for San Francisco to attend the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Commandery of the United States. The Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island being represented by Right Eminent Sir Caleb Saunders, Grand Commander, and the following suite, occupying their special Pullman car: Charles C. Hutchinson, Deputy Grand Commander; George W. Fay, Grand Generalissimo; Alfred F. Chapman, Grand Captain General by proxy; Noyes W. Fisk, as Senior Grand Warden; Charles E. Thomas, as Junior Grand Warden; Albert L. Richardson, as Grand Recorder; James D. Rominus, as Grand Treasurer; Baalis Sanford, as Grand Prelate; Charles H. Baldwin, as Grand Captain of the Guards; John Haigh, Grand Standard Bearer; James Downs, as Grand Sentinel; N. Van Slyck, Past Eminent Grand Commander; Albert C. Smith, Eminent Commander. Guards—S. P. Bartlett, J. H. Gilbert, F. B. Washburn, Othello A. Fay, Samuel Smith. A visit will be made en route to Salt Lake City and a day spent there. The headquarters of the party in San Francisco will be at the Palace Hotel, and a tour of California will be made previous to the return to the East.

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Boston Transcript. April 1. 1890.

FOREIGN NEWS.

ANGLO-AMERICAN MASONS.

Organization of a Royal Arch Chapter in London—Interesting Ceremonies followed by a Banquet and Addresses.

LONDON, April 1. The remarkable success which has attended the Anglo-American Lodge of Freemasons during its short career of nearly three years has prompted a desire to have a Royal Arch chapter attached, in which the duties of capitular Masonry could be carried out, and where American and English Masons who have attained this degree could fraternize as in the parent lodge. This was carried out last evening at the Holborn Restaurant, in the presence of many distinguished American and English Masons. The consecration ceremony was performed by Mr. Frank Richardson, the grand deacon of the chapter. Among the numerous Masons present were Mr. J. C. New, consul general of the United States of America; Major Frigout, deputy consul general, and Mr. Brankstone Baker.

The impressive ceremony was beautifully rendered, an eloquent oration being delivered by Rev. R. J. Simpson, in the course of which he alluded to the fraternal feelings existing between the two countries, and which he trusted would long continue. The consecrating officers, Consul General J. C. New and Colonel Shadwell H. Clarke, were elected honorary members, General New being warmly welcomed as the successor to Consul General Waller, who was a highly esteemed member, and took an active part in the lodge. Numerous distinguished Masons were proposed as members and the chapter was closed in the ancient and solemn form.

After a banquet the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were honored. The health of the President of the United States was given by Mr. Brankstone Baker, who represents 22 out of 42 States in America, at the Grand Lodge of England. He said this was a toast commanding reverence and respect, being that of the first magistrate of the first country in the western world. If he were not an Englishman, he should wish to be an American. He had so many opportunities of exhausting adjectives and superlatives in connection with this toast, that he would sum it up in one word, and say that "blood was thicker than water," and that the same feeling existed in the two countries, although water separated them.

Consul General J. C. New, in response, said that personally the President of the United States was his boyhood's friend, his young man's companion and his friend in maturer years, and was equal in every respect to any man who had been President of the United States. He was a man of honor, of education, of liberal-minded views, who represented his country as well as any other man. The President was a Christian scholar and soldier. He did good service at a time when soldiers were needed. If America claimed to be the equal of the British isles, it also claimed to be their friend, and the President was endowed with more power than the queen. If England ever got into difficulty, America would rally to the support of the old mother country, for the English-speaking people dominated the world. There was not in the United States a well thinking man who did not believe in the integrity of Great Britain, and who was not in favor of maintaining the ascendancy of Great Britain in those parts that she claimed.

Other toasts having been given, the proceedings terminated with the full conviction by all present that the events of the evening marked a new epoch in Masonic relations between England and America.

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WEDNESDAY EVENING. MAY 10, '76.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

MASONIC.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE BOSTON JOURNAL.

CONCORD, N. H., May 8, 1876.

Your correspondent has examined the advance sheets of the report of the proceedings of the last annual convocation of the Grand Council of Select, Royal and Super-Excellent Masters of the State of New Hampshire, and finds it one of the most important Masonic documents ever published in this jurisdiction. The M. P. Grand Master John A. Harris of Concord, one of the most accomplished Masons in the United States, regrets the delay in the appearance of the report, but it was occasioned by the preparation of the historical portion of the work, which the fraternity will be quick to praise and to appreciate.

The general business portion of the report shows the organization to be in a very flourishing condition in this State, the eight subordinate Councils having a total membership of 608, the initiations of last year being 50. These Councils are the Orphan at Dover, the Columbian at Claremont, the Adoniram at Manchester, the Horace Chase at Concord, the Davenport at Portsmouth, the Pythagorean at Laconia, the St. John at Keene and the Israel Hunt at Nashua.

HISTORICAL.

We gladly give large space to the historical part of the report, for the larger portion of it has never before appeared in print. In preparing the report the Grand Recorder has exhibited the greatest diligence and the most unwearied perseverance. As is well known to the fraternity, the early history of Cryptic Masonry in New Hampshire has long been enveloped in darkness. Here and there a person was found who remembered that Councils existed in certain places in this State many years ago, but it has heretofore been regarded as almost impossible to obtain much information concerning them. Most of the records have perished, and a portion of those remaining are mere scraps of paper, liable to be lost or destroyed. The only information in regard to certain important matters that could be gathered was collected from old newspapers and publications that had been cast among rubbish. All of the detached records, documents, letters and publications that could be found in public or private sources were most carefully and diligently examined. I mention this to show the obstacles that were in the way of Companion Harris in his investigations, but all of which were successfully overcome.

He fixes one fact which has long been discussed in Masonic circles, which is, that the first Council of Royal Masters in New England was the Tyrian, established at Hopkinton in New Hampshire in 1815. This was afterward united with the Council of Select Masters subsequently established in that town. It appears that the Guardian Council of Royal Masters existed for a short time at Portsmouth, but afterward united with a Council of Select Masters evidently subsequently formed at that place. One of the first councils of Select Masters in New England was that at Hopkinton, this State, established Aug. 19, 1817, according to a list published by Jeremy L. Cross, but not organized until 1819.

The only other Council of Select Masters ever known to have been established in New Hampshire was the one at Portsmouth.

The above appear to be the only Councils of Royal Masters and the only Council of Select Masters ever established in this State. All other Councils in this jurisdiction have been known as Councils of Royal and Select Masters until the year 1870, when, unfortunately the time-honored title of "Royal and Select" was changed to "Select, Royal and Super-Excellent." The Councils established before the Grand Council in 1823 were Tyrian at Hopkinton, Guardian at Portsmouth, Washington at Hanover and Columbian at Claremont. There are some reasons for believing that the Grand Council instituted a Subordinate Council at Keene. Pythagorean Council at Sanbornton and Orphan Council at Dover were established by the Grand Council.

Five of the seven Councils above mentioned long since ceased to exist; the other two, Columbian and Orphan, were dormant many years, but afterward revived, and are now in a flourishing condition.

A detailed and very interesting history of all the above Councils is then given.

The original names signed to the constitution of Tyrean Council were Joshua Darling, Artemas Rogers, John Harris and Stephen Blanchard, four of the illustrious lights of Masonry in its early days in New Hampshire. Hon. John Harris in civil life was a distinguished jurist; while in the Masonic world he was a star of great brilliancy. He was the founder of Tyrean Council and of Trinity Chapter at Hopkinton nineteen years before. He was also the founder of Mount Horeb Commandery of Knights Templars at Hopkinton in 1826. It still further appears that he was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter at its formation in 1819, and also first Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templars of New Hampshire at its formation in 1826. The record of John Harris emblazons one of the most illustrious pages in the Masonic history in the United States. Joshua Darling, who was a merchant at Henniker, was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge.

Artemas Rogers was a lawyer at Henniker and was also Grand Master of the Grand Lodge.

Stephen Blanchard was a Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge 60 years.

The first three officers of the other Councils were as follows:

Guardian Council at Portsmouth—Thomas S Bowles, John Davenport and Thomas Clapham.

Washington Council at Hanover—Timothy Kenrick, Alpheus Baker and James F. Dana.

Columbian Council at Claremont—Jonathan Nye, Nathan Bingham and Godfrey Stevens.

Orphan Council at Dover—Joshua Edwards, Isaac L. Folsom and William North.

These gentlemen included many of the brilliant lights of the "Old Guard" Masons in New Hampshire. With scarcely an exception they all held important offices in some of the Grand bodies.

Mr. Dana was a Professor in Dartmouth College. Among the early members of Tyrean Council were Isaac Hill, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge, and Wm. Harvey, both of whom were Governors of New Hampshire. From the above a good idea may be formed of the character and value of the historical portion of the Grand Council report. Distinguished Masons who have examined the proof sheets say that it is one of the most important historical articles that has ever been contributed to the Masonic literature of the United States.

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Ancient Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M.

Abridged History of Ancient Chapter No. 1, of R. A. M. compiled from old Manuscripts, Tradition, and from the Records of the Grand Chapter of the State of New York.

In 1763 the Grand Lodge at London, England, granted a warrant to several members of the Craft, in the city of New York, to form themselves into a Masonic body, to work the Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, Master Mason and Royal Arch degrees, with authority to issue warrants for the establishment of other Lodges and Chapters.

Under and with said warrant from the Grand Lodge of England, a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was constituted, the companions of which, by virtue of the power conferred upon them, assumed the title and exercised the prerogatives of a Grand Chapter.

They also continued. for a number of years to confer the R. A. degree, the only degree, beyond the symbolic degrees recognized at that time in this country, as a part of Ancient Craft Masonry, and bestowed upon none but Master Masons who had been elected, installed and served as Masters of Lodges of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

In the course of time, when the number of Royal Arch Masons increased in the Province and afterwards State of New York, it was determined by many of the members of the Grand Chapter to leave it, and under its auspices establish other Chapters, which they did, and to which the names of Independent, Rising Sun, Fredonia and Washington, were given.

Later than 1804 no traces of the four Chapters can be found. The inference to be drawn is that they either came in under this jurisdiction or that they were dissolved and their members affiliated with the Chapters that received Charters from the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, which was organized in March, 1798, and which was represented by twelve Chapters, that were then numbered from three to fourteen, viz :

Hibernian,	New York,	No. 3
Montgomery,	Stillwater,	" 4
Temple,	Albany,	" 5
Hudson,	Hudson,	" 6
Horeb,	Whitestone,	" 7
Jerusalem,	New York,	" 8
De La Fayette,	Greenville,	" 9
Federal	Cambridge,	" 10
Cyrus	Schenectady,	" 11
Green Mt,	Rutland, Vt.,	" 12
New Lebanon,	New Lebanon,	" 13
St. Andrews,	Stamford, Del. Co.,	" 14

In the records of this Grand Chapter will be found the following preamble and resolution, under date second Tuesday in March, 1798. There are also very respectable and elegantly furnished Royal Arch Chapters, holden in the city of New York, designated as the old Chapter and Washington Chapter, which are not at present under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter, they having originated previous to its establishment, therefore :

Resolved, That 1 and 2 be left vacant for the two old Chapters in the city of New York.

The Old Grand or Old Chapter continued in existence until August, 1806, when the members of it concluded to place themselves under the jurisdiction of the present Grand Chapter, and designated No. 1, the first of the two numbers left vacant for it as per preamble and resolution.

The three first officers of the Old Grand or Old Chapter, James Woods, Thos. S. Henry and Robert Fairchild, were appointed by the Grand High Priest Ezra Ames, respectively High Priest, King and Scribe, and received the Charter August 28th, 1806, under which Ancient Chapter No. 1 now exists.

Companion James Wood was, in consideration of his having been the first officer of the Old Grand Chapter, elected Deputy Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, in March, 1807, and was reelected to the office three consecutive years.

In the first minute book of Ancient Chapter No. 1, November, 1806, will be found the copy of an account settled between the members of the Old Grand Chapter and Washington Chapter, dated in 1804, where the names or signatures of James Woods and Thos. S. Henry appear as members of the Grand Chapter, showing conclusively that a Grand Chapter, other than the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, did exist at that time and of which the foregoing named companions were members."

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Royal and Select Masters.

THE GRAND COUNCIL HISTORY OF THE DEGREES.

The Grand Council for the State of New York met in annual session at Masonic Hall, on Tuesday of last week, Sept. 14th.

The attendance was very large, the Grand Officers and a large majority of the Representatives of the country in this Jurisdiction being present.

We give a brief extract of the Annual Address of the Grand Master, G. Fred. Wittsie:

ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANIONS.— Again through the kind Providence of an all wise Creator, are we permitted to meet in solemn assembly, commemorating for the sixty-sixth time the organization of Cryptic Freemasonry in the Empire State.

Cryptic Masonry, my companions, is a fixture, and is surely and steadily advancing with a healthy, hearty growth. The past few years have shown a vast improvement in many ways, but more especially in that part which we term "Work." That which was once as varied and widely differing as the different States in which it was taught, is now uniform, and sustained by an almost if not all the State Grand Jurisdictions. The National Convention has been the principal means of making this needed reform, and as companions of our Rite have met together to compare, advise, correct, make uniform, and trim the various branches of the Great Masonic Oak, they have strengthened the grand old tree, have brightened up its foliage, have pruned its dead twigs and have caused it to spring forth with new life and fresh vigor.

The Grand Council of England and Wales and the dependencies of the British Crown, from whom I made an elaborate report at our last annual assembly, feeling a deep interest in our Grand Body, sent to you through a congratulatory letter, recently received by me, of fraternal regards, and I thought it but justice to give it favorable mention in this address, as I know you are all deeply interested in our English companions, the are zealously engaged in working in who Secret Vault, in our mother country.

A few more words and I have done. There are times, my Companions, in the experience of each of us, when we feel called upon to make some great personal sacrifice, to change our varied vocations, and thereby, perchance, be called upon to part with old and valued friends, and sever ties that have held us together for many seasons, to lay aside, perhaps, some pleasure we have fondly loved and frequently delighted in; some cherished subject which has claimed our study and attention. From these differing outlooks in our lives are none of us exempt; and so, dear brethren, does he who now addresses you, with feelings deep and solemn, yet joyful for the past and hopeful for the future, return to you the *gavel* he has held for three long years, with the desire that you may select another to hold the same, and one who will ever stand by the noble principles of our craft, and especially defend and watch over this part of the Masonic flock.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Comp. John B. Sackett, of Buffalo, M. Ill. Grand Master; Comp. George M. Osgoodby, of Nunda, R. Ill. Dep. Grand Master; Comp. Chas. W. Brown, of Flushing, R. Ill. P. C. of W.; Comp. David B. Howell, of New York, R. Ill. Grand Treas.; Comp. Geo. Van Vliet, of New York, R. Ill. Grand Recorder. The Grand Master made the following appointments: Comp. A. B. King, of Troy, Grand C. of the G.; Comp. John F. Baldwin, of New York, Grand C. of the C.; Rev. Comp. John G. Webster, of Palmyra, Grand Chaplain; Comp. P. Verhoeven, of New York, Grand Marshal; Comp. Thomas H. Floyd, of Utica, Grand Steward; Comp. John J, Martin, of Albany. Grand Lecturer; Comp Johnston Fountain, of New York, Grand Sentinel.

As this Department (if it may be so called) of Masonry, is but indifferently understood, as to whence it came and how it formulated a brief history of its origin and location under State Council may be of interest to our readers, especially as not a quarter of a century has transpired since its degrees (the Royal and Select) were like the shuttle-cock, knocked from the York Rite to the Ancient Accepted Rite, and from one day's ownership to nobody's authority. The Royal Arch Chapter in some States controlled it, in others the Supreme Councils of the 33d Grade. In small and uncertain localities it claimed an independent existence, and again individuals (the writer of this being one) held what was supposed to be sufficient law and authority to confer or communicate it upon Masons who had attained certain degrees.

At this day the question is not discussed, as it has long since been determined and universally acquiesced in, it had its existence in the Ancient Accepted Rite as side degrees, but that organization has surrendered *in toto* all authority or control over it, and it is happily and successfully launched on the great Masonic Waters, and holds its course most nobly.

The history of these degrees will show that this is the case. The degrees themselves, in their ritual, will prove from what body they have emanated, for their obligations, as originally conferred, provided for a pledge of submission to the Supreme Council of the 33d degree, although we are obliged to confess, that as a part of the system of spoliation, which took these degrees out of their proper control, that point of the obligation is omitted.

The question whether these degrees should be conferred under the direction of the State Grand Councils, or Grand Chapters, was not a new one. For as the question simply terminated in a contest for the spoils of war, like all such contests, the parties had no sooner taken the prey from the rightful owner, than they began to contend among each other for what, in truth, belonged to neither.

In the year 1826, the Grand Chapter of Maryland addressed a circular to the different Grand Chapters of the United States, suggesting "the propriety of those bodies *assuming* jurisdiction and authority over the degrees of Royal and Select Master." The very word "assuming," used by the Grand Chapter, was a tacit acknowledgement that the powers it claimed, were intended to be an innovation and assumption of something not before possessed. The proposition was referred in South Carolina to an able committee of the Grand Chapter of that State, who made a report on the 26th of February, 1827, which contains so much information on the subject of our inquiry, that we do not hesitate to publish in full those parts of it which relate to the origin of these degrees.

"The committee appointed at the last stated convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, in May last, to take into consideration and report upon the propriety and expediency of the different Grand Royal Arch Chapters of the several States respectively, assuming jurisdiction and authority over the Royal and Select Master's degrees, and to which committee were referred the proceedings of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maryland, upon the subject, respectfully ask leave to state, that they have made extensive and careful investigation into the subjects referred to their consideration, and they offer the following statement as the result of their inquiries.

"They have ascertained that the respectable brothers and companions, Dr. F. Dalcho, Dr Isaac Auld, Dr. James Moultrie, Senr., and Moses C. Levy, Esq., with many others, received these degrees in Charleston, in February, 1783, in the Sublime Grand Lodge of Perfection, then established in this city (Charleston), of which body, three of the above named brothers are still living, venerable for their years and warm attachment to the glorious cause of Freemasonry, and highly respected and esteemed in the community where they have so long and so honorably sojourned, and they are still members of the same sublime body.

"Your Committee have further ascertained, that at the original establishment of the Grand Council of Princes of Jerusalem, in this city, on the 20th of February, 1778, by the illustrious Brothers Joseph Myers, Barend M. Spitzer and A. Forst, Deputy Inspectors General, from Frederick II. King of Prussia, Brother Myers then deposited in the archives of the said Grand Council of the Princes of Jerusalem, certified copies of the said degrees, from Berlin, in Prussia, which were to be under the future guid-

ance and fostering protection of the government of the above named presiding body. The above named three respectable brethren and companions are, and have steadily been members and officers of the said body of Princes of Jerusalem; their evidence, therefore, must be conclusive upon these points.

"Your Committee are informed that the above named Brother Myers, previously to his return to Enrope, while pursuing his mercantile concerns, resided some time in several of the cities of Virginia and Maryland, where he communicated a knowledge of the degrees in question.

"The Committee further state, that the Grand Officers and the Sublime Council of Inspectors General have been, since 1783, steadily in the habit of conferring the degrees in question, under their authority, in the Southern and Western States. Your Committee have seen and perused the first copy of these degrees that ever came to America, and old copies of Charters that have been returned by Councils in States where Grand Councils have been formed, and the bodies surrendering have taken other charters for conferring the degrees, from such Grand Councils of Royal and select Masters thus formed.

"From these statements, the Grand Royal Arch Chapter will readily perceive that these degrees have been under a regular and independent Masonic protection and authority, for more than forty-six years, and that they were thus circumstanced in the United States of America, at a period long antecedent to the establishment of Grand Royal Arch Chapters, or even of Chapters of Royal Arch Masons, in any part of the world.

"For these, as well as for other reasons, which might be given if time would permit, and also with a view to avoid all collision with contemporary Masonic jurisdictions, regularly established, and much longer in existence than ours, your Committee, with all due deference and respect, would venture to recommend the following resolutions, for the consideration of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter."

The first and third of the resolutions relate to the practice of trading these degrees by unauthorized persons, and to the discharge of the committee; the second only is important to our subject, and is in these words:

"Resolved, for the statement and reasons assigned in the foregoing report, that in the opinion of this Grand Chapter, it is improper and inexpedient to assume a jurisdiction over the said degrees, and thus to interfere with the rights and privileges of our brethren and companions in another and higher order of Freemasonry."

The report and resolutions were unanimously adopted, and the same subject being again brought before the Grand Chapter, a substantially similar report was made, and the decision was re-affirmed.

There is abundant evidence in the archives of the Supreme Council, that the historical facts detailed in the preceding report are correct. A little over fifty years ago a Council of Royal and Select Masters was unknown. The degrees were entirely conferred by Inspectors General, whose authority for so doing was derived from a patent, granted by the Supreme Council of the 33rd. There are Masons now living in the Southern and Western as well as the Northern States, who received them from Brother Barker, the accredited agent of the Supreme Council, whose seat of government was at Charleston. And, indeed, we think we may safely say, as the report we have cited plainly implies, that the Subordinate Councils now existing in the South and West were originally organized by Royal and Select Masons who had received their degrees from and owed their allegiance to the Supreme Council at Charleston.

Much documentary evidence might be cited to prove that the original possession and jurisdiction of these degrees were wholly vested in the Supreme Council.

There is a memorandum in the archives of that body, dated "Supreme Council Chamber, Charleston, S.C., 10th February, 1829," and signed by Moses Holbrook, M. D., at that time Grand Commander, which states the mode in which the degrees were introduced into this country by Brother Myers, almost in the very words of the report we have already cited, and mentions the deposit by him of a certified copy of them in the archives.

In another document on the same page, dated "March 15th, 1830," and signed also by Moses Holbrook, M. D., Grand Commander, we find the following directions, intended, of course, from the book in which they are written, for the government of members of the 33d degree.

"Agreeably to the obligations of the same and the Grand Constitution governing these degrees, viz. Royal and Select M sters of 27, it is correct and lawful to give them either to Sublime Masons who have arrived at Knight of the Ninth Arch, (13th degree,) or to Companions of the Third Arch, that is, Royal Arch Masons."

Brother F. Dalcho, in the appendix to his "Oration delivered in the Sublime Grand Lodge," in the year 1807, says: "Besides those degrees which are in regular succession, most of the Inspectors are in possession of a number of detailed degrees, given in different parts of the world, and which they generally communicate, free of expense, to those brethren who are high enough to understand them." Among these "detailed degrees," he enumerates that of the Select Masons of 27, or the Select Master.

Other testimony might easily be adduced, at the risk, however, of fatiguing the reader, but we think that the facts presented in the report of the committee of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina are sufficient to satisfy any candid mind that these degrees were originally attached to the Ancient Accepted Rite, of which the Supreme Council of the 33d is the legitimate head. A few words may therefore be necessary in relation to the history of this body that the whole subject may be fully and completely understood by our readers.

The Ancient Accepted Rite of Masonry consists of thirty-three degrees, commencing at that of Entered Apprentice and terminating at that of Sovereign Grand Inspector General, the possessors of which are limited by the old Constitutions of the Order to nine in any country, except the United States, where there are eighteen. These Grand Inspectors compose the Supreme Council, which constitutes the great Masonic tribunal of the Rite, as Grand Lodges do of the York Rite. At the middle of the 18th century, Frederick II. King of Prussia, was at its head, the Rite then consisting of 32 degrees, the ultimate one being that the Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, he himself executing, as sole Inspector General and Commander, the powers which are now divided between the members of the 33d. degree. Under the authority of this monarch, a Grand Consistory of Princes of the Royal Secret was convened at Paris 1761, Chaillon de Joinville presiding as the King of Prussia's Deputy, when Brother Stephen Morin was appointed Inspector General over all Lodges, Councils, etc., in the New World, and in the succeeding year a certified copy of the Secret Constitutions was transmitted to him.

Brother Morin, upon his arrival in St. Domingo, appointed, agreeably to the authority vested in him, Bro. M. M. Hayes, as Deputy Inspector General for North America, with the power of appointing others. Bro. Hayes accordingly appointed Isaac Da Costa, Deputy Inspector General for the State of South Carolina, who, in 1783, established the Sublime Grand Lodge of Perfection in Charleston. After the death of Da Costa, Joseph Myers was appointed his successor by Bro. Hayes.

On the 1st of May, 1786, the Grand Constitution of the 33d degree, called the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General, was finally ratified by Frederick, King of Prussia, and the high powers of that body were ordered to be conferred on nine brethren in each nation, who were to enjoy all the prerogatives in their own districts that were possessed by his Majesty, in his individual capacity. It was at the same time established as an unalterable rule, that there should be one Sovereign and Supreme Council only, for each kingdom of Europe, two for the United States of America.

Cahill and Kammer was unceremoniously omitted.

NEW HAMPSHIRE MASONS.

St. Alban Chapter at Exeter Publicly Installs Officers.

[Special Dispatch to the Boston Herald.]

EXETER, N. H., March 15, 1892. The officers-elect of St. Alban chapter 15, R. A. M., were publicly installed in the town hall tonight by M. E. P. H. P. David R. Peirce of Dover, Companion Andrew Bunton of Manchester officiating as marshal.

The installation was the first of its kind given under the auspices of the chapter, and was a brilliant event in the annals of local Masonry.

The town hall was handsomely decorated with flags, streamers and Masonic emblems, and a portion had been arranged and furnished in exact likeness of the lodge room. The attendance was large and included many out of town visitors.

St. Alban chapter was granted its dispensation in June, 1868, its charter a year later, and was consecrated in March, 1870. Its history has been one of prosperity, and its present membership is 131.

The officers installed last night were: George W. Green, high priest; George N. Cross, king; William H. C. Follansby, scribe; Robert C. Thomson, treasurer; Charles H. Knight, secretary; William F. Rundlett, C. of H.; William H. Fellowes, P. S.; James T. Sawyer, R. A. C.; Oliver A. Fleming, M. 3d V.; Abbott L. Carlisle, M. 2d V.; Hezekiah Scammon, M. 1st V.; Cadford M. Dinsmore, chaplain; Edward K. Walker, George A. Carlisle, stewards; Irvin M. Watson, tyler; Charles G. Conner, Winthrop N. Dow, standing committee.

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AN ORATION.

The following beautiful oration was delivered at the consecration of the Collin Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners, at Maryport, by Bro. the Rev. James Anderson, P.P.G. Chap., recently :—

'Masonry is evidently a progressive science in the West of Cumberland. It is on the rise in Maryport. Amid its elevation of chapels and restoration of churches, its creation of institutes and erection of houses, the point within the circle from which every part of the circumference is equally distant attains to still greater prominence and multiplicity. It is not obscured by the influx of architectural surroundings, nor buried out of sight by the commendable innovation of moral and religious improvements, but seems determined to increase with the increasing activity, and shine like the morning star in the visible and undying existence of a Masonic perpetuity. About 2000 years ages in the early stages of the Christian era, there lived a man brought up at the feet of Gamaliel, learned and intellectual, and laying claim to inspiration, who told the people of Galatia that it was good to be zealously affected always in a good thing. The brethren of Maryport seemed to have endorsed that apostolic statement, and adapted it as their motto in regard to Masonry. They clearly consider it a good thing, and are affected towards it with a zealous affection. They rest not contented with one Degree, or even two, but have advanced from one Degree to several in succession, until their Masonic catalogue now embraces the Craft, the Arch, the Mark, the Allied, and to these there is this day to be added the Collin Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners. If this is not a zealous affection for Masonry, and a most significant appreciation and admiration of the mystic rite, I do not know very well what is. Such progress must arise out of a spirit of Masonic enthusiasm, which one would desire to become more and more infectious, until every nook and crannie far and near, where Masonry has obtained a footing, has caught the Masonic contagion, and learned to vie with each other in the extension and multiplication of that ancient and honourable institution which boasts of having as its solid foundation the practice of every moral and social virtue. That may safely be denominated the beautiful in Masonry of which it is impossible to have more than enough, and the systems which rests its pillars and its pedestals on that infallible basement can never degenerate into disuetude nor crumble to decay. The saying has resolved into a proverb that it is possible to have too much of a good thing. That may apply to meats and drinks and other convival things and pastimes; it is possible to be killed with kindness, a species of extinction in this naturally selfish world, which I should say forms the exception and not the rule, but is does not apply to Masonry. We would rather apply to it those appropriate lines of Keat's, who, if he was not a Mason, from his correct and prophetic, although, in all likelihood, unintentional description of the art, deserved to be one, and which should be written on the vestibule of every lodge and imprinted upon our ritual and regalia.

'A thing of beauty is a joy for ever;
Its loveliness increases, it will never
Pass into nothingness.'

That thing of beauty is one other of its phases we consecrate anew to-day. We inaugurate in this place and at this sacred hour the Collin Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners. No better title could be found; a title founded upon the name of one, not after the fashion of a mere complimentary acknowledgement, but of one who merits this record of his greatness; a brother of superior rank, and possessed of those component qualities which are indispensable to a Free and Accepted Mason. Henceforth the names of Sewell and Collin are enshrined in the temple of Cumberland Masonry. We have a Sewell Lodge of Ark Mariners at Whitehaven, and now we have a Collin Lodge of Ark Mariners at Maryport, and before very long we shall have a Sewell Lodge of Mark Master Masons at Egremont. Thus the names of Sewell and Collin are destined to predominate in the united Provinces of Cumberland and Westmorland, and by the distinguished and distinguishing laurels of lodge titles they are to be immortalised and handed down from generation to generation. Can any good thing come out of Maryport? The answer to that question is the same as the one returned a long time ago to a similar question in the case of Nazareth, come and see. May Masonry in our midst long be adorned with the active presence of two such worthy brethren, and overshadowed with the virtue of their illustrious names. And may this little ark which is launched to-day ride safely on the billows and rest calmly on the Ararat of tranquility and peace; may it be a joy for ever, may its loveliness increase, and may it never pass into nothingness. It has begun well; may it run well, and none to hinder. Ten Mark Masons all pass within its door, and that door is not yet shut unless it be to the strains of discord and impropriety. It is open for more to follow. This beautiful Degree which gives scope for memory and for elocutionary effect, is strictly of Bible origin and history. It is founded upon the seas and established on the floods. You trace it to the Volume of the Sacred Law. Masonry did not first see the light in the seventeenth century. A thread of the Rosicrucian may run through it, but it dates not its being to Christian Rosy Cross. We simply go further back to the first and second temples, and to a period even more remote, when Noah reared his alters and sacrificed thereon to the Most High. The Ark is an appendage of the Mark, because, perhaps, of its similarly operative character. In every other respect it stands alone, having its own regulations, constitutions, and ceremonies. Its ritual is expressive and withal religious. Its prayer of elevation is sublime and scriptural, full of confidence in the Divine promises, mellowed with the graces of benevolence and Charity, and breathing hopes of everlasting rest and blessedness. Who would presume to say that Masonry is infidelity, or that a Mason is not a religious man? This, at least, must be his creed, 'I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;' and this, at least, must be his confession, as in the initial sentence of the Church's Litany, 'We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.' It is not a fiction but a fact that among those notorious sins and crimes which stain and disgrace our country a Mason is not to be found; and if every man in the kingdom were a Mason, and walked up to the laws and doctrines of Freemasonry, there would not be a dishonourable and obnoxious criminal in the land. The three points of beauty, strength, and wisdom; the chosen language of its solemn obligation; the splendid definition of its signs and working tools; the grandeur of its five cardinal virtues, interwoven as they all are with the sanctity of Holy Writ, and closely welded together by the Volume of the Sacred Law, form an Eiffel Tower of colossal proportions, a moral and religious structure of magnificence and magnitude, which admit of no rival, and with which there are none to compare. For which prime reason we laud Masonry, and we extol Ark Masonry, and we wish it to extend and prosper the wide, wide world around. It is already on the upward tendency, although its march thus far has been somewhat slow. Its assiduity has not been commensurate with the progress of the Mark, to which it is appended. At the end of March, 1889, there appears to have been 403 Mark lodges, with warrants issued for additional ones, and a registered total of 25,339, thus giving an average of over 60 to each lodge; while of the Ark there was a registered total of 2733 certificates, with warrants issued for additional lodges. The disparity speaks for itself, and points out the necessity for more sailing power, that the speed may be increased until every Mark shall have its Ark. That is nothing more than what ought to be. Every Mark Mason should be an Ark Mason, seeing that the one is the complement of the other, just as much so as the Arch is the complement of the Craft. In that union of equality there is strength. We must look at these Degrees in their connection, in the relation which the one maintains to the other, in order to trace their adoption, and not in their separate and isolated character and capacity. By that process we settle the intelligent choice of a Degree, and claim to answer the description of an intelligent Mason. And yet, after all, what are our lodges and our Degrees without that Masonic furor which should fill the breast of every son of the widow? What are subscriptions without the subscribers? What are names without the named? A valley of vision; a body without a soul; a Masonic chamber of death, where there is not visible even a glimmering ray. Half-hearted, indifferent Masons are equivalent to no Masons at all. Like the barren fig tree, they are only cumberers of the ground. To be enrolled in membership, and then turn languid; to pass the chair, and then retire into apathy and inglorious ease; to reach the envied purple, and then fail to display its colour, is not the way to proclaim the value of Freemasonry; to sing 'Join all in harmony, and prosper the Art,' to advance the interests, and mark our appreciation of that institution, which is the glory of the accepted and the free. By self-denial and self-sacrifice, by attention and attendance, by punctuality and perseverance, by merit and ability, by very love of the Art and devotion to its cause, which is the motive power impelling to true and faithful Masonic action, which finds every officer at his post and every brother in his place, we carry out into practice the spirit of the Junior Warden's song—

'Unite, unite, your voices rouse,
Loud, loudly sing Ark Masons' praise,
Spread far and wide their spotless fame,
And glory in the sacred name.'

THE 'TAU CROSS.'

It is an open secret that the Tau Cross is a frequent occurrance in chapter working. This Phallic Cross is, perhaps, the most ancient and widely spread of any of the Cruciform emblems, for it seems to have been of universal adoption—the next most popular form being probably the Swastika, or Jaina Cross, known also as the Hammer of Thor, but which, strange to say, finds no place in our ceremonies. In Egypt the Tau is very commonly shown with a surmounting oval, which makes it the Crux Ansata, or handled Cross. The simple T is equivalent to the Hindoo Trisula, and the Oval, or Vesica Piscis, represents the Sistrum or Yonic of the different Eastern cults. It therefore combines, in the Anch, the active and passive, or receptive, powers of nature. As generally understood, the Ansated Cross meant new, resurrected, eternal life, and sometimes typified the instructed initiate, as well as the Osirified soul that had come safely through the terrors of Amenti. The ancients usually expressed their belief that the grave was the entrance to a higher state, by employing the same phase alike for initiation and dissolution; the pastos is further evidence in the same direction. It is freely conceded that the Tau was the mark placed on the Israelitish doors when the Angel of Death smote the first born in Pharaoh's kingdom; it was raised in the Wilderness by Moses to restore the smitten people, was referred to by Ezekiel, and, above all, was the Tree of Calvary, instead of the latter Latin form that owe its position to inaccurate clericalisms.

It is difficult to say definitely why the Triple Tau has been placed on the apron: the triangle which encloses it should be sufficient to emphasize the Trinity (not necessarily the Christian Faith). To us, Spirit is incomplete without the accompanying Square of Matter, which is represented by four. The Geometrical explanation is only partial. May it not be an ignorant copy of the Cruciform nimbus often found in ecclesiastical ornamentation, where the fourth or lower end of the equal limbed cross is hidden by the neck or head of the holy personage thus arrayed, and in this case we have simply the well known Hermetic Cross on the Mundum Circle. Every enquirer must be aware that Catholic symbolism has been, with little or no variation, borrowed from earlier faiths, and ancient dieties are found with an aureole to give them dignity or significance. Some of the older monkish designs showed the glory shaped as an equilateral triangle, or the interlaced triangles, and so on. One picture of St John encloses his head in a rectangle, whence springs a sunflower, apparently a compromise between Christianity and Paganism. Under some Supreme G.R.A. Chapters we find the Triple Tau inside the Triangle, surrounded by a circle. This embodies a very great amount of knowledge, of which a full explanation should be given by the Rosicrucian Colleges, as none of our recognised Orders employ the circle in their symbolism, for the Sat Bhai is hardly in the regular Masonic track.

To avoid repetition in subsequent articles, our readers are desired to keep in mind how difficult is to discreetly comment on these symbols.

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MASONIC MATTERS.

Masonic Directory:

☞ COLUMBIAN COMMANDERY, No 1, K. T. This Commandery holds regular Conclaves on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the Asylum, Masonic Temple, 6th avenue and 23d street. Visiting Sir Knights made welcome. WALTER M. FLEMING, E. C.
FREDERICK W HERRING, Recorder.

☞ MT. ZION CHAPTER, No. 231, R. A. M., mee 1st and 3d Thursdays, Bleecker Building, No 278 Bleecker St. Companions of sister Chapters fraternally invited.
J. V. B. GREEN,
F. E. FRANCISCO, Sec'y. High Priest.

THE SUPREME GR. CHAPTER.

We have several times alluded to what has been called the Supreme Gr. Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. We have noticed also that several Gr. Chapters have appointed delegates to attend a Convention, to be held at some future time, for the organization of a National body to supervise and regulate the "work" of the Order, and to secure something like uniformity in the Ritual. It was shown at the last meeting of the Gr. Chapter, held in this city, that the Order has no Ritual in New York which it can call its own, and, until recently, had no Seal. At the next meeting of the Gr. Chapter of New York it is proposed to select delegates to attend the General or National Convention for the organization of the Supreme Gr. Chapter, and the necessity for this is set forth in Bro. Engle's recent letter to the "Masonic Advocate," of Indianapolis, which communication we copy this week into the COURIER. Bro. Engle speaks as follows:

"Is there a Supreme Gr. Chapter, or a Supreme Council? Frequently, in my articles, I have assumed the negative of this question, and this assumption, it is asserted by some, is a mere assumption, and not founded upon fact. First, as to the so-called Supreme Gr. Chapter, we learn from the last annual address of our Gr. W. Patron, that certain persons, 'to the number of seven,' (page 47) * * 'adopted the present Ritual, and organized themselves into what they styled a Supreme Gr. Chapter, and elected officers. * * The organization was effected in New York, in a private room,' (page 48.) All this in the year 1868. This 'Supreme Body,' however, did not seem to accomplish the end for which it was designed, for, in June, 1873, in the same city of New York, a 'Supreme Council' was organized in a provisional form, the convention for that purpose assembling at the instigation of those who figured as officers the Supreme Gr. Chapter. As two bodies cannot exist in the same space, and as the provisional Supreme Council came into being at the instigation of the head of the Supreme Gr. Chapter, we must conclude, and it must be true, that, for some reason, that body, organized by seven people, in a private room in New York city, then ceased to have a being. Exit Supreme Gr. Chapter.

"Enter Supreme Council. Listen to one who was there at its birth, and was a Supreme officer: 'There has never been a Supreme Gr. Chapter or Council *de facto*. There was a Supreme Council organized in a provisional form; a committee was appointed to submit a Constitution, etc., to an adjourned meeting to be held in New York city in September following the meeting in June, 1873; after which the committee were to submit their work to the different Gr. Chapters for approval or rejection, and said Gr. Chapters were requested to send delegates to an adjourned meeting of the provisional Supreme Council, which was to have convened in New Orleans in December, 1874. If the Constitution, etc., were ever prepared I am not advised; yet I do know that there was no regular meeting held in New Orleans in December last. Missouri, Mississippi and Tennessee were the only State representatives who put in an appearance, and we unanimously agreed to dissolve the provisional Supreme Council so far as our States were concerned.'

"Hear also the 'Supreme Marshal':

"'I know of no powers which a Supreme officer can exercise in either a Gr. Chapter or subordinate body. I have never been installed, nor do I know that any of the others have been. * * The 'ratification meeting' was never held to my knowledge, and I presume that it could not have been formally held without my knowledge.'

"Now comes the 'Deputy Supreme Patron,' our worthy Brother, Col. J. L. Power, Gr. Patron of Mississippi. In an official communication, dated Jackson, March 12, 1875, he says: 'The Gr. Chapter of Mississippi, at its session in July, 1873, upon representations made to it by a Brother in whom we had and still have unbounded confidence, 'ratified and endorsed' the action of the convention in forming and constituting the Supreme Gr. Council. I agree with you (Editor New York COURIER), however, that such an organization is impracticable, in view of the perfect establishment of Gr. Chapters in several of the States; and, further, that it was a self-constituted affair, and that it should be no longer recognized. I have the honor to be 'Deputy Supreme Patron' for all this continent, and I see no prospect of ever having a meeting of the Supreme Gr. Council, and never having had any duties to perform, and never expecting to perform any in that exalted station, I consider myself *functus officio*. Indeed, the matter of dissolving the Supreme Gr. Council was discussed and agreed upon in New Orleans in December last by several whose names figured in the organization of 1873. I, therefore, assume the responsibility of withdrawing any further recognition of the Supreme Gr. Chapter, and, in the name and behalf of the Gr. Chapter of Mississippi, assume jurisdiction of all unoccupied territory equi-distant to other State Chapters. * * I recognize the fact that the Supreme Gr. Chapter has done much good in extending the Order, but its mission is accomplished, and now may it rest in peace.'

"The Gr. Chapter of Mississippi, at its session in July last, 'Resolved, That we indorse fully and unequivocally the action of the Gr. Patron, J. L. Power, relative to the Provisional Supreme Council of the Adoptive Rite, organized in New York city in June, 1873.'

"Mississippi, Indiana and Missouri are the only Gr. Chapters that have recognized the so-called 'Supreme Gr. Chapter,' and I take the liberty of quoting from a recent letter of Rev. Dr. Vincil, Gr. Patron, P. Gr. M., and P. E. C. of Missouri: 'I indorse an expression found in your letter, and say, most emphatically, there is no Supreme Gr. Chapter, and never has been. * * The S. G. C. is a myth. It is a self-constituted something, bringing itself into existence.'

"I cannot refrain from quoting from an obituary notice that was published in the Brooklyn 'Review' last January:

"'The Supreme Council is dead! Ah! dear me, where now are all the Most Eminents and Right Eminents who were on a wrong eminence? Where that Associate Supreme Recorder—he of the moustache of raven hue and the mocking eye? Where is that long array of Deputy Supreme Patrons, who sold books and badges and jewels and sashes and warrants and dispensations in the several States of this free and enlightened country? Echo answers, "Gone! all gone!—faded away like the baseless fabric of a vision." Surely 'tis but a dream. No, the highest authority says "There is no Supreme Council." Oh! cruel Death, that with a breath sweeps away all that fond ambition gave us. *Hic jacet* Supreme Council!'

"I could go on and give much more evidence to the same point. So I think I am correct when I assume there is no Supreme Body of our Order. But there should be, in order to secure uniformity of work as far as practicable. It should have no power over Gr. Chapters, except as to the manner of recognition, the modes of examination of members and the qualifications necessary for membership. It should have power to issue charters in sufficient number in any State to enable the members thereof to organize a Gr. Chapter. This is what we want, and pretty certainly will have.

"I have received numerous letters making inquiries as to the modes of procedure, cost, etc., of organizing Chapters, in the last month, all of which have been answered with pleasure.

W. D. ENGLE.'

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 20, 1875.

Without wishing to discuss the vexed question of the Supreme Gr. Chapter or Supreme Council, we think that Bro. Engle's letter touches upon the point, when it speaks of the necessity which exists for a National governing body, and we have no doubt but that, when such a body is convened in a proper manner, we shall have National Officers whose main duty and pleasure will be to seek and work for the welfare of the Order. To secure a perfect and uniform Ritual is a necessity, as at present each State appears to have one of its own, while in New York the work now used is a rehash of the "Constellation work" of 1855, then known as the "Mosaic Work." The Ritual of the United States, as it now exists, is certainly "Mosaic" enough, for it is a gathering together of miscellaneous particles to represent the "five jewels" of the Order. We hope the Convention will accomplish something that shall be lasting, and beneficial to the Order for all time.

The Daily Evening Times

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1890.

THREE DEGREES.

Portsmouth — N. H.

Masons at Work and Then Have a Social Hour.

A ROYAL BANQUET SERVED AT THE ROCKINGHAM.

Visitors from Exeter Participate In the Festivities.

A Special Meeting of the Council will be held at Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening, Dec. 9, 1890, at 7 o'clock.

Work in the Three Degrees.

Visitors from Exeter will be present.

A BANQUET will be served at THE ROCKINGHAM after the ceremonies of the evening.

R. I. WALDEN, Sec,
JOHN HATCH, T. I. M.

Don't imagine, reader, that THE TIMES is publishing yesterday's news. The above announcement is given merely to outline a programme carried out last evening at the two points named, and the information was conveyed to the brethren by means of the above card.

THE TIMES man got one. He has been there before, and if he should tell too much of what transpired last evening he would not get there again; that is to say, not in a hurry.

All good Masons—and they only are truly good who are of the Council, will recognize in the phraseology of this branch of the orient art the landmarks which especially emphasize their Masonic career. Ancient history, so exhaustively and so practically exemplified in these three all-important degrees, is interwoven so closely with the matter-of-fact, every day experience of the neophyte, that he is filled with gratitude for the generosity which permits his entrance within the charmed precincts of the Council.

It is not known to all the craft that in most Masonic jurisdictions the Council degrees are mandatory upon aspirants to the beautiful mysteries of Templar Masonry. This requirement is no hardship, although it delays admission to the crowning ornament of the Masonic structure. The historical connection, otherwise imperfect, is made complete; and the Sir Knight who has advanced regularly and studiously to the moment of his accolade may congratulate himself upon having attained a position demanding upon his part the highest attributes of an honorable manhood.

Not the least enjoyment of Masonic gatherings is the social hour which follows work. By the way, it is no indiscreet disclosure to state that the term—"work"—is no fiction in a well organized body, and the refreshing influence of a social period which often follows the business of the occasion is regarded by the participants with rare interest.

Especially is this true of the Council of Royal and Select Masters, as well as in the military body succeeding the Commandery.

Long anticipation is likely to invest the proposed entrance to a Masonic body with a degree of interest which in some cases becomes painful through its intensity; and the anxious neophyte is not altogether without misgivings while standing on the verge of his new experience. Once over the threshold his manhood rises to the test, and as a rule he passes the ordeal with credit to himself and his family relations as far back as the Concord fight.

That's credit enough for one man.

The two postulants last evening are sons of revolutionary sires. For a brief period, in anticipating their possible fate, they were revolutionary sighers; but their revolution failed to materialize in the presence of numbers and resignation became a necessity, as well as a duty.

One of the twain had passed safely through the Providence and Washington campaigns and was thought to be equal to any emergency; but the unction with which he hailed the appearance of Clerk Conner of the Supreme Court of Rockingham County and President Marvin, of the S. P. C. A., was far more complimentary to those gentlemen than to the officials of the Council to whose tender mercies the victims were about to be committed. The second anxious petitioner had also seen Washington, from the Long Bridge to the Northern Liberties, from Swampoodle to Georgetown; yet he was a good second in bespeaking the good offices of the officials referred to; all of which shows conclusively that experientia doesn't always docet.

The only emergency imposed by Fate was the sudden outgoing of the gas at a critical period, and having endured the sensations experienced by George Washington when the candle went out, things were restored to a normal condition and the work went on.

The exercises of the evening were made interesting by the excellent music performed under the direction of Conductor Henry J. Eaton, whose tetrachordal harmonies won for the impressario many complimentary assurances, which will accompany him to his beautiful raisin farm at Fresno, California, and appease his home-longings as he sits lazily at his door and watches the grapes as they dry and wrinkle.

The work over, adjournment was made to the Rockingham at ten o'clock, where in the great dining-hall were laid sixty plates, and a menu that would have tempted greater epicures than these who have feasted so often on truffles and pate Perigord, and thought nothing of it.

The feast was not altogether Xerophagic; both fluid and solid did abound, albeit the Hodgdon-Martin brewing of a recent Rockingham symposium was not handed down. Sir Sheriff Coffin, who had partaken of the former feast, was on hand at this one, and although his power as a raconteur was in full requisition, he indulged in no reference to the peppery decoction of Friday last.

The preponderance of medical men in the party was very noticeable. It was observed that the clerk of the supreme court anchored under the lee of Dr. Whittier, while Dr. Junkins was so thoroughly engrossed with the preceding ceremonies that his prescriptions were, for the moment, unreliable.

Dr. Pray of Exeter had in charge the contingent of his town, among whom were Hon. John D. Lyman, whose eloquence was never more effective, Prof. Cross, of the Robinson Seminary, Hon. Warren Brown of Hampton Falls, Charles H. Knight and other luminaries of the order.

The banquet was a superb effort, the service faultless; when is it otherwise at the Rockingham? The fellows who were ennuyee with nightingales' wings and Chablis, were neither afraid nor ashamed to take the bill in order from soup to the demi tasse. With the cigars they adjourned to the reading room, which, with the colonial dining hall was given over to their occupancy until 12 30, when they separated.

The institution of Freemasonry is at full flood in New Hampshire, and notably so in this city, where its eminent success and prosperity may be attributed not alone to its most admirable tenets, but as well to its unlimited sociability.

Good-fellowship exists not in empty phrase alone, in these bodies, it is practical; while in the higher orders it acquires the substance and proportions of a virtue. A Templar, a Knight of Malta, of the order of St. John of Jerusalem is a gentleman, by virtue of his eligibility, to which his membership gives added responsibility. It will be seen, therefore, that under natural conditions the order presents the most favorable opportunities for rational enjoyment. It is not surprising then, that the Council, the very gateway to the Commandery, should prepare the way for the progressive Freemason as he proceeds on his upward journey to the point where, in the touching and eloquent words of Sir Morris C. Foye, the valiant and magnanimous Junior Warden and Master of Infantry, Truth sits enthroned as a divine attribute and the foundation of every virtue.

To this sepulchrally adds that other true and courteous Knight, the Master of Cavalry and Senior Warden, Albert R. Junkins, Amen!

THE CHRONICLE.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1875.

MASONIC COLUMN.

A Centennial Anniversary.

On Tuesday, of last week, the Ancient Chapter Royal Arch Masons, of New York, gave a grand excursion to Raritan Beach, with their families and invited guests, to celebrate the centennial of the Chapter.

A New York journal says:

The following brief history of this ancient body and contemporaneous Masonry in New York is derived from records and oral tradition, and it will be seen that the precise date of the birth and organization of Ancient Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., is not ascertained beyond the fact of its creation somewhere between 1763 and 1798. The weight of authority leans to the earlier date. With a view to forever fixing the time, however, the intermediate year of 1775 has been selected as a fitting compromise, bringing the 100 years down to the fraternal and centennial season through which we are now passing, thus adding another to the many happy reunions which have distinguished it, in a century more than usually eventful. The age and distinction of this Chapter give its celebration more than general interest.

In the birth of its second centennial cycle every department of Masonry has a common pride and feeling, and will receive a new impulse in the works of benevolence and benefaction, which are its most distinguished characteristics. In 1763, the Grand Lodge, at London, Eng., granted a warrant to several members of the Craft in the City of New York, to form themselves into a Masonic body, to work the Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, Master Mason, and Royal Arch degrees, with authority to issue warrants for the establishment of other lodges and chapters.

Under and with the said warrant from the Grand Lodge of England, a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was constituted, the companions of which, by virtue of the power conferred upon them, assumed the title and exercised the prerogatives of a Grand Chapter. They also continued for a number of years to confer the Royal Arch Degree, the only degree beyond the symbolic degrees recognized at that time in this country as a part of Ancient Craft Masonry, and bestowed upon none but Master Masons who had been elected, installed, and served as Masters of Lodges of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons. In the course of time, when the number of Royal Arch Masons increased in the Province (and afterwards State) of New York, it was determined by many of the members of that Grand Chapter to leave it, and under its auspices establish other Chapters, which they did, and to which the names of Independent, Rising Sun, Fredonia, and Washington were given. Later than 1804 no traces of these four Chapters can be found. The inference to be drawn is that they either came in under this jurisdiction or that they were dissolved and their members affiliated with the Chapters that received charters from the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, which was organized in March, 1798, and which was represented by twelve Chapters, that were numbered from three to fourteen. In the records of this Grand Chapter will be found the following preamble and resolution, under date second Tuesday in March, 1798: "There are also very respectable and elegantly furnished Royal Arch Chapters holden in the City of New York, designated as the Old Chapter and Washington Chapter, which are not at present under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter, they having originated previous to its establishment; therefore

"*Resolved*, That 1 and 2 be left vacant for the two old Chapters in the City of New York."

The Old Guard or Old Chapter continued in existence until August, 1806, when the members of it concluded to place themselves under the jurisdiction of the present Grand Chapter, and were admitted under the title of the Ancient Chapter and designated No. 1, the first of the two numbers left vacant for it, as we have seen from the preamble and resolution.

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Letter from New Hampshire.

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To the Editor of The Boston Journal:

MASONIC.

The installation of the newly elected officers of Trinity Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Concord occurred last week and was a gathering of unusual interest to the fraternity. This chapter, with the exception of St. Andrew's of Lebanon, is the oldest Masonic organization of that degree in the State, and the occasion above referred to was fruitful in reminiscences of a masonic period of sixty-two years. After the officers were duly qualified for their several stations by Deputy Grand High Priest, Daniel R. Marshall of Nashua, the companions present repaired to the banquet hall and partook of an abundant supper. Grace was said by the Chaplain, Rev. H. G. Safford, after which ample justice was done to the good things spread before the company Afterward the High Priest expressed his deep sense of the honor he had received in being re-elected the presiding officer of so ancient and venerable an organization, which had preserved an unbroken existence from its origin in 1807 to the present time, and had included among its members so many men of distinction as citizens and as masons.

The next speaker was that tried, faithful and highly esteemed companion, Harrison G Harris, Esq., of Warner, the oldest living member of the chapter, he having received his degrees in 1816. His brother, John Harris, a graduate of Harvard, was the founder and the first High Priest of Trinity Chapter, and another brother, Joel Harris, a Dartmouth graduate of 1804, was one of the charter members of the chapter. Another interesting circumstance was the fact of Mr. Harris being present to witness the installation of his son to the office of High Priest, to which position he himself was installed forty-five years ago. The presence of such a worthy brother added greatly to the pleasures of the occasion. In his remarks, Companion Harris made touching allusions to some of the prominent early members of the chapter, who have been called home to the Grand Lodge on High. He spoke of Joshua Darling of Henniker, Isaac Hill, Albe Cady and Abel Hutchins of Concord, and others whose memories are so precious o the masonic fraternity of New Hampshire. Short addresses were also made by Dr. William Prescott, over eighty years of age, Capt. William Carr, over seventy, Thomas J. Sanborn, Past High Priest of the chapter, and others. The festivities were continued until a late hour and will constitute a red letter event in the history of Trinity Chapter. The newly chosen officers of the above organization are John A. Harris, M. E. High Priest; Thomas J. Sanborn, E King; Edward Dow, E. Scribe; George P. Cleaves, Treasurer; Luther W. Nichols, Secretary; Josiah Stevens, Jr., Captain of Host; John M. Shirley, Prin. Sojourner; John E. Rollins, R. A. Captain; Norman G. Carr, Master Third Veil; Byron Moore, Master Second Veil; J. Frank Webster, Master First Veil; William W. Storrs, Augustus G. Harris, Standing Committee; Rev. Henry G. Safford, Chaplain; James Tucker, Simeon Sargent, Stewards; George L. Reed, Tyler.

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